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President Seeks 17 Billion Outlay To Rebuild Europe Against Reds

RELIEF PROJECT SOUGHT UNDER 4 1/4 YEAR PLAN

540 Million Approved By Congress for Italy, France, Austria and China

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 (AP)—President Truman asked a divided Congress today to vote \$17,000,000,000 in the next four and a quarter years for the building of a Europe strong enough to resist "totalitarian aggression" and preserve "the civilization in which the American way of life is rooted."

This greatest relief and rehabilitation project in world history, calling for the largest peacetime expenditure ever asked of Congress, was detailed by Mr. Truman six months after Secretary of State Marshall first proposed it and three months after 16 European countries pledged their combined efforts to make it work.

Congress received the historic proposal as it voted, in the final hours of the special session, on the amount of emergency aid to be given France, Italy, Austria and China this winter under legislation fixing a \$597,000,000 ceiling.

After nearly five weeks of arguing, Congress finally voted shortly after 7 p. m. to send \$522,000,000 in supplies to France, Italy and Austria and \$13,000,000 to China. The appropriation bill went to the President for signing.

President Truman in opening the special session the past Nov. 17 asked \$597,000,000 for the three European countries but did not seek an immediate grant for China.

In a 9000-word message read separately to each house, Mr. Truman warned that "the Communists" will try to sabotage the recovery of the 16 countries, along with western Germany, for which he asked aid.

"If Europe fails to recover," the President said, "the peoples of these countries might be driven to the philosophy of despair—the philosophy which contends that their basic wants can be met only by the surrender of their basic rights to totalitarian control."

"Such a turn of events would constitute a shattering blow to peace and stability in the world."

The President asked Congress to authorize the \$17,000,000,000 outlay on top of more than \$15,000,000,000 already devoted to foreign aid since the war ended—as "a major step in our nation's quest for a just and lasting peace."

With his message Mr. Truman submitted a bill to create the entire program. It sets up a new, (Continued on Page Twelve)

Anti-Inflation Bill Approved by Congress

By The Associated Press

Congress, ending its 33-day special session last night, voted the Republican plan for voluntary action to bring down the high cost of living, sending the bill to President Truman, who originally had asked in vain for power to impose compulsory controls.

White House observers predicted Mr. Truman would sign the measure, passed by the House, 281 to 73, yesterday, but at the same time the Chief Executive would criticize it. The President claims the plan is inadequate, and passes the inflation buck to him.

The lower chamber yesterday also voted authority to Secretary of Agriculture Anderson to

Armed Services' Pay Schedules Under Review

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 (AP)—In what appeared a preliminary move to request for congressional approval of pay raises for the military services, Secretary of Defense Forrestal announced today the appointment of an advisory commission to make "thorough study" of the question.

The four-man civilian commission, of which Charles R. Hook, president of the American Rolling Mill company, is chairman, met for the first time yesterday.

Meeting with it were members of a special armed forces committee appointed by Forrestal and which has been exploring the military pay raise question for the past six months.

Other members of the advisory commission are Father John J. Cavanaugh, president of Notre Dame university; Keith S. McHugh, vice president of American Telephone and Telegraph company, and Lawrence H. Whiting, president of the Chicago firm of Whiting and company.

U. S. Jury Indicts General Meyers For Fake Testimony During Probe

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 (AP)—Maj. Gen. Bennett E. Meyers and a former associate who turned on him were indicted today on charges of giving fake testimony at a recent Senate probe of Meyers' wartime activities as an Air Force purchasing officer.

A federal grand jury indicted the 52-year-old Meyers on six separate counts—three of perjury and three of inducing Blieriot H. LaMarre, 35, to commit perjury. In addition, the jury indicted LaMarre on three perjury counts.

As the maximum penalty for each count is ten years in prison, the bailing, retired Gen. Meyers could be sentenced to serve as much as 60 years if convicted on all counts.

The charges all grew out of the Senate war investigating committee's inquiry into business deals witnesses said were carried on by Meyers while he was deputy purchasing chief of the Air Forces.

At the Senate hearings LaMarre, onetime \$50 a week accountant, and others said Gen. Meyers was the real owner of the Aviation Electric company, a Dayton, O., warplane parts manufacturing firm, and that he realized more than \$150,000 profits from the concern.

Part of the money which went to Meyers, LaMarre told the senators, was salary "kick" (Continued on Page Ten)

Automobile Stolen Here Recovered on Route 73

The 16th car to be stolen from Pottstown in the past five weeks was recovered early this morning by Henry Goff, Boyertown police chief, who found it on Route 73 between Pleasantville and Shanesville.

It was a sedan owned by Francis E. Tyson, 327 Manatway street, stolen the past Tuesday night from High street.

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MARSHALL RAPS REDS AS CAUSE OF BIG 4 FAILURE

Secretary of State Says Soviet "Frustration" Policy Keeps Peace Distant

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 (AP)—Secretary of State Marshall said tonight that because of Soviet "frustration" policies, a lasting European peace settlement is yet distant.

It probably will have to wait the outcome of western Europe's efforts—with American assistance—to "restore a healthy society," he predicted.

In a radio talk to the nation, Marshall reported on the break-up of the big four foreign ministers conference at London.

He said that until the struggle between Russia and the western powers is decided even a "paper agreement" would be difficult.

"The Soviet Union has recognized the situation in its frank declaration of hostility and opposition to the European recovery program," Marshall continued.

Placing the blame for failure to reach agreement on Russian Foreign Minister Molotov, Marshall said that at London the Soviet spokesman displayed "no apparent will to reach a settlement."

Molotov, he charged, used the conference "as an opportunity for propaganda declarations which would be pleasant to German ears."

Despite the outcome, which he termed disappointing, Marshall asserted that no real ground was lost or gained, except to make clearer the outlines of problems and obstacles to a lasting peace.

"We cannot look forward to a unified Germany at this time," he added. "We must do the best we can in the area where our influence can be felt."

His reference presumably was to the 16 nations of western Europe, including the American-British occupation zones in Germany.

The secretary met head-on Russian charges that the western powers went to the London conference without a sincere purpose of reaching agreement. The truth is, he said, that "we want with a strong determination to bring to an end the division of Germany."

Molotov's "continuous accusations against the good faith, the integrity and the purposes" of the western powers, particularly the United States, he said, had the one purpose of creating confusion.

Detailing the deadlock over Russia's claim for \$10,000,000,000 reparations from Germany, Marshall described it as a key issue. He accused the Soviets of having taken a "monopolistic stranglehold" over eastern Germany, making that region "little more than a dependent province of the Soviet Union."

Marshall said that the United States (Continued on Page Twelve)

Burgess Summons Boys Who Gave False Alarm

Six students of the Pottstown Junior High school who were responsible for turning in a false alarm from Franklin and Oak streets Monday afternoon will appear before Burgess William A. Griffith in the borough hall at 3 o'clock this afternoon.

The students were rounded up by Fire Chief Richard E. Lindauer and Motor Patrolman Earl Rhoads Thursday afternoon.

Lindauer said the boys turned in the alarm unintentionally. Because of the seriousness of the situation, however, they will receive a reprimand from the burgess this afternoon.

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Big Day for Girl Amputee—Schoolmates, Too



Betty Tyson, 13-year-old Upper Pottsgrove girl whose right leg was amputated the past August, entertains her schoolmates at an Upper Pottsgrove school Christmas play, the "Capture of Santa Claus." Listening to Betty read Christmas stories are Clark Hughes, Angeline and Toni Mariana, Diane Meeker, Katherine Hartenstein, Judy Dotterer, Edward Gumbarger, Edward Meeker, Lloyd Henry, Jack Schroyer as Santa Claus, Donald Flicker, Jean Rhoads and Donald Endy. Betty received an artificial limb as a gift from Pottstown members of Shriners' Rajah Temple, Reading, and at a surprise party at her home tomorrow afternoon she will receive a check for \$316.80, a gift from the citizens of Upper Pottsgrove township, which she may use toward the purchase of a second limb.

—Mercury Staff Photo

HERMIT'S \$870 IS SURRENDERED

Money Is Used as Refund From Relief Given Urr During Past Eight Years

With the hope that he will no longer be bothered by anyone, Aaron Urr, Berks street hermit, yesterday surrendered \$870 and his bankbook to the Department of Public Assistance, which will seek to have him cared for in the county home for the aged.

The money and bankbook were collected by S. S. Haring, of the Philadelphia Claims Settlement area, who explained that only by surrendering the money could Urr continue to receive aid from the State.

William Varady, York street shoemaker, acted as interpreter in the negotiations between Haring and the aged recluse.

Urr has been receiving aid from the department since 1939, his present monthly check amounting to \$32.50. In his hope of someday returning to Europe, he has been saving a portion of the money received from the State and that cash which he receives from selling junk.

Under the public assistance law, however, he unknowingly committed an offense by continuing to receive relief while possessing an increasingly large sum of money.

When this was explained to him yesterday, he uncomplainingly turned the cash over to Haring. He pointed out that the cash represented in the bankbook belonged to his late brother, Gabor, and was deposited in the name of Sander Urr, Gabor's son, still living in Hungary.

This also presented a problem. Gabor, who also received aid from the State, had signed the usual form for relief which (Continued on Page Ten)

Service Awards Are Given Workers at Shuwall Party

More than 300 employees of Edward Shuwall and company crowded into the Elks' ballroom last night to witness the varied talents of a variety act, eat a large buffet dinner and watch 26 of their fellow workers receive rewards for long service.

It was the company's first Christmas party since 1942 when the war cut the annual event short.

After an hour's dancing to the music of Woody Leigh and his orchestra, the employees settled in their chairs to watch an aerobically dancer, a magician, a master of ceremonies and his ten to a blonde singer. The act came from Philadelphia.

Gathered around tables illuminated by red candles, the clothing workers scrutinized a magician while he cut a rope in three parts and then restored it whole, tore a patron's dollar bill in three parts

and gave him back the same bill. His act followed an athletic performance by a cart-wheeling dancer.

The act's master of ceremonies after producing jokes like, "It's better to have halitosis than no breath at all," did tumbling acts and sporadic solos on the corner.

The committee which arranged the affair consisted of Albert Tinkoff and Mrs. Stella Johnson, co-chairmen; Clarence Rightmeyer, Mrs. Elma Wynne, Mrs. Ellen Lightcap, and Mrs. Eva Pizz.

A. H. BRANNOCK KILLED IN CRASH AT PITTSBURGH

Firestone Employee Dies Of Skull Fracture After Hitting Trrolley in Crafon

Arliss H. Brannock, 37, of 765 North Adams street, an employee of the Firestone Tire and Rubber company, died early this morning after his automobile crashed into a street car at Crafon, a suburb of Pittsburgh.

Crafon police said that Brannock's car apparently went out of control after the driver lurching of a street and then smashed into the front of the street car. They said his car was almost completely wrecked and Crafon firemen were required to use crow bars to free him from the wreckage.

Brannock, a heavy-set man, was bleeding badly about the head, police said, and was rushed to Mercy hospital in Pittsburgh by ambulance.

Hospital attendants said Brannock died of a severe skull fracture and also had suffered a broken leg. Mercy hospital authorities said that the accident victim was admitted to the hospital less than two hours before he died at 1:30 a. m. The scene of the accident is just west of Pittsburgh.

Mrs. Della (Griffin) Brannock, a switchboard operator at the Bell Telephone company here, said that her husband had been employed at the Firestone plant here until a month ago as night superintendent. He left the plant here at that time, but remained in the employ of Firestone, with which he had 15 years of service.

Brannock came to Pottstown about a year and a half ago from the Akron plant of Firestone.

He was a member of the Brookside Country club until the past April and later became affiliated with the Reading Country club. He was well known in country club golf circles, having taken part in much of the club's competition here.

He also was a member of Pottstown Lodge 814 of Elks.

In addition to his wife and 16-year-old son, Arliss H. Jr., he is survived by Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Brannock, Mt. Airy, his parents.

Garbage Pickup Schedule Set Starting Jan. 1

Collection of garbage, ashes and refuse by George H. Dunn will begin Jan. 1, 1948, with schedules arranged twice weekly for all borough residents.

Garbage will be collected on Monday and Thursday in the Third, Fourth, Sixth and Seventh wards; on Tuesday and Friday in the Eighth and Tenth wards, and on Wednesday and Saturday in the West, Second, Fifth and Ninth wards.

There will be no charge for private residences, but business, industrial and commercial establishments will be billed according to the amount collected and the frequency of collection.

For householders, containers of not more than 20-gallon capacity may be used, and they must be placed in strong wood or metal containers, but may not weigh more than 75 pounds.

Containers may be placed along the street or alley, but must be not more than 20 feet from the curb of a street or 20 feet from the alley line in the rear.

Since Dunn's contract allows him to observe a holiday on New Year's Day, the Fourth of July, Labor Day, Thanksgiving and Christmas, collections scheduled for those days may be postponed and made as soon as possible after the holiday.

Men Like This Would Kill Inheritance Tax

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 19 (AP)—Albert Henry Johnson, a "retail" hotel clerk, was found dead yesterday at the age of 74.

The coroner's office said Johnson "committed suicide" by shooting himself in the chest.

"He was of sound mind, I spent my money as I pleased, I had no debts, now notify the undertaker."

ON THE MAIN DRAG

GEORGE MILLER—thinking of baking a pie. KEN CLAY—telling of a recent mishap. CHARLENE ELLIS—calling for more music.

RICHARD CHAPLIN—returning home for the Christmas holidays. MRS. NORRIS OTTINGER—remembering a forgotten chore. BILL SMITH—discussing the merit of cologne.

THE WEATHER

For Eastern Pennsylvania: Clear and continued cold today. Fair, increasing cloudiness with little change in temperature tomorrow.

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High Antics Low TEMPERATURE EXTREMES

Local temperature yesterday and early this morning were:
4 a. m. 29 p. m. 37
5 a. m. 29 p. m. 37
6 a. m. 29 p. m. 37
7 a. m. 28 p. m. 36
8 a. m. 29 p. m. 35
9 a. m. 29 p. m. 33
10 a. m. 30 p. m. 30
11 a. m. 32 p. m. 28
12 m. 32 p. m. 26
1 p. m. 23 p. m. 25
2 p. m. 25 p. m. 24
3 p. m. 26 p. m. 23

High School Pupils Present Play Based On Birth of Christ

Students of the Pottstown Senior High school sat in a hushed silence yesterday as almost 100 of their classmates re-enacted the birth of Christ in a Christmas play called "The Birthday of a King."

Marked by four solo numbers and a duet, the play was presented with a somewhat more professional technique than is usually expected in high school students.

The roles of Mary and Joseph were enacted by Barbara Binder, and Robert Von Drach, with Byron Crosby playing Herod, the king. Charles Emory, who sang the solo number "While Shepherds Watched," accompanied Parker Groy and Brant Lautenberg in portraying the three wise men.

Isabel Reichman sang the contralto solo "Behold a Virgin Shall Conceive," while Richard Shenk sang the tenor solo, "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear."

The finale was one of the most effective parts of the play. Betty Werstler singing "O Holy Night" was supported excellently by the glee club accompanying her from the wings off-stage.

Miss S. Frances Zimmerman directed the play, with Miss Margaretta M. Reid leading the glee club.

Satira Trial Ends; Await Judges' Verdict

HAVANA, Dec. 19 (P) — Fearing a jail sentence which she calls "worse than death," Patricia (Satira) Schmidt went crying back to Guanabacoa prison today to await the verdict in her trial for the killing of John Lester Mee.

The trial, which began Sept. 17, ended this morning with Patricia standing before the three-judge court and pleading for mercy. She thanked the judges for "a fair trial" and said as she choked back sobs:

"Please don't treat me like a criminal. I want to be the honest daughter of an honest father."

A court officer said he saw the eyes of Judge Enrique Maza moisten as Patricia made this plea. The court was barred to newspapermen and spectators.

Oklahoma Police Forget To Hire Dance Orchestra

WOODWARD, Okla., Dec. 19 (P) — Orchestra members had better watch their stop signs here on New Year's Eve.

The police department had everything arranged — it thought for its annual New Year's ball the whole town awaits. Then yesterday someone remembered they had forgotten to hire a dance band.

Phone call after phone call brought the same answer: booked solid.

"Let us catch some musicians messing up our traffic," said the boys at the station today. "We know one place they can work out their fines."

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May Head New Jewish State



Frequently mentioned as the possible first president of the new Jewish state in Palestine, Dr. Chaim Weizmann, 73-year-old Zionist leader, is shown with his wife as he sailed from New York for the Holy Land. He said he would not discuss the transition of the present Jewish agency into a government until he reaches Palestine.

Sweden, Soviet Union Sign Trade Treaty

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 19 (P) — Sweden will get 50,000 tons of wheat and 15,000 tons of rye from Russia during 1948 under a new trade agreement announced here tonight.

The agreement is wholly separate from the \$28,000,000 Swedish credit granted in 1946. It foresees an exchange amounting to 30,000,000 crowns (\$8,355,000) in each direction.

Sweden will export steel, ball bearings, machinery and other goods as well as breeding animals. Imports from Russia besides grain include manganese and chromium ore, asbestos and apatite.

PERKIOMENVILLE

Harry Blank, delivery. Mrs. Emma Bergey, Telford, spent an afternoon with the Misses Sarah and Idella Faust.

John C. Gerbert spent a day in Allentown.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Dorn and family, Telford, spent an evening with Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Hoffman.

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Memorial Tribute Paid to Four Men By American Legion

Memorial tribute to four area men whose funerals were held the past two weeks, was paid by 25 members of George A. Amole Post 47, American Legion, at last night's meeting in the post home.

The four were Sgt. Melvin K. Endy, Pottstown RD 2, and Pvt. John I. J. Lawler, who were killed in action in Europe and whose bodies were returned home this month; Dr. L. Ray Signor, Philadelphia, a Pottstown physician and post member from 1919 to 1937, who died Dec. 10, and John Ehling, former Marine corps sergeant and post member who died the past Wednesday night.

The meeting, in charge of Commander William A. O'Donnell, also heard a report that a post semi-weekly newspaper would be organized. A prize contest held to get the paper's name.

William Yohn, senior vice commander, reported that the post membership is now 915, while Leonard Rachild, junior vice com-

mander, said that the bowling league now has 60 active members. It was voted to purchase apples for the children's party to be held this afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Hilldale Service center, Hilldale homes.

Grand Patriarch Is Guest Of Excelsior Encampment

Fifty members of Excelsior Encampment 85, IOOF, were on hand at last night's meeting in Odd Fellows hall to greet James R. Salter, Pittsburgh, grand patriarch of the Pennsylvania encampment, on his first visit to Pottstown.

After a brief meeting, in charge of David Conner, chief patriarch, and a talk by Salter on his travels throughout the State, the group held a reception for Salter, with refreshments served by a committee from Lady Wittenmyer Rebekah Lodge 20.

The group also was entertained with magic tricks by Rodman Robinson, a New Jersey encampment member.

Small amounts of fluorine in drinking water are believed to prevent tooth decay although too large amounts cause tooth damage.

Truck Bumped by Bus At High York Streets

A Stowe-Sanatoza bus driven by James K. Shifflette, 553 Queen street, bumped a parked truck at High and York streets early last night. Since nobody was in the truck, Shifflette, continued to the Pottstown Rapid Transit company barn, 1413 High street, where he

called police. When Police Sgt. Daniel J. Linton and Motor Patrolman Lewis Borgiet went to York street, the truck bearing an Ohio license, was gone. The bus was undamaged.

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Keep Christmas Merry

EACH year fire turns Christmas, the most joyful time of the year, into tragedy in hundreds of American homes.

Christmas fires occur because extra hazards—highly flammable Christmas trees and decorations—are brought into homes, schools and public buildings. Other hazards include use of lighted candles, defective electric lights, and flammable costumes used in Christmas pageants.

A little knowledge of these hazards, and how to prevent tragic fires, will help keep Christmas the merry holiday it should be in American homes.

Few people realize it, but the ordinary Christmas tree is one of the most flammable objects known.

It is filled with pitch and resin. Once ignited, a Christmas tree is almost impossible to extinguish. Tests show that an average size tree takes less than two minutes to burn up; such a tree can easily start a roaring blaze in your house before you have time to call the fire department.

Many methods of "flame-proofing" Christmas trees have been tested, but none have proved successful.

Engineers, however, have devised the following simple rules, which if followed will make your Christmas tree safe.

1. Choose a small tree, instead of a big one. Remember, a small tree can be as beautiful as a large one, as well as being much less hazardous.
2. Do not set up the tree until a few days before Christmas. Keep the tree outdoors until ready to install it.
3. Place the tree in the coolest part of the house. If necessary shut off the radiator closest to the tree.
4. Do not, under any circumstances, use cotton or paper for decoration on the tree or around the tree.
5. Do not place electric trains around the tree.
6. Use only electric lights (never use candles) and see that all of the wires are in good condition and not frayed. Those which have been inspected by Underwriters' Laboratories have a paper band around the wire or a statement on the box.
7. Provide a switch some distance from the tree for turning the electric lights off and on. Do not plug or unplug the lights beneath the tree.
8. Do not leave tree lights burning when no one is in the house. From time to time inspect the tree and see whether any of the needles near the lights have started to turn brown. If so, change the location of the lights.
9. When the needles start falling, take the tree down and discard it. If it is desired to keep the tree up for a few days longer, do not keep the tree lighted more than half an hour at a time.

Bees, Birds, Cows, and Progress

WHILE we do not wish to draw invidious distinctions among our fellow inhabitants of the world of nature, we could not help noticing that bees in Corning, Calif., are producing honey in flavors of strawberry, maple, chocolate, lemon, pineapple and mint, and colored to match, and that birds in Newark, Ohio, are building nests of Fiberglass.

Many birds, meanwhile, go right on making their homes from such antiquated materials as twigs, bark, rags, paper and old shoe laces. Daubers go so far as to continue building their abodes of dirt. What's wrong with cellophane and gold leaf, for instance? If more birds would keep up with those birds in Newark, Ohio, it wouldn't be a term of derogation to say that something looked like a last year's bird's nest. A last year's bird's nest would look pretty wonderful.

In striking contrast with the bees of Corning, Calif., cows have made no improvement in the flavor or color of milk for at least the last 40-odd years to our certain knowledge. People have even been put to the inconvenience of adding chocolate, vanilla, etc., to it. If as small a creature as a bee can produce mint honey in a smart shade of green, it ought to be a cinch for a big, skulking animal like a cow to turn out milk in some really attractive shade like chartreuse, and flavored, of course, chartreuse.

Please don't misunderstand us. Some of our best friends are cows, and we like milk in its place. But there is such a thing as progress, and we just thought we'd speak of it.

Grampaw Oakley

Editor, The Mercury,
Dear Sir 'n' Brother:

Wai, I see by the papers where a British Columbian has built a bomb-and-burglar proof cellar in which to store his sie and beer. I get it — schnapps under wraps.

Astronomers are wrangling over whether the speed of light is 186,000 or 185,999 miles a second. A motorcycle cop, like Earl Rhoads, could settle that. He'd swear it was 186,001.

And say: I sure hope some day to ride on a train as perfect as the electric model I bought for Junior's Christmas.

Hopin' you air the same.

GRAPPAW NED OAKLEY

READERS SAY:

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Letters must not be more than 250 words long, of current topics and must not involve personalities. Writers must state their names and give street address as evidence of good faith but these will be withheld from publication on request. It is a criminal offense to sign another person's name. Poetry, and communications advocating the election of political candidates are not acceptable.

By MERCURY READERS

No Helping Hand for Hermit

To the Editor: I was overcome with disgust while reading your article of Thursday relative to the hermit's weird life with dogs.

Our culture has made great strides when our conservation over dogs leads us to overlook man's inhumanity to man. The so-called hermit was fined \$55, the dogs are now cared for and pictures of the victorious avengers have appeared in your paper. Yet not one word about or implication of help to a man who obviously needs it.

Those indignant authorities who rode up Berks street on their white chargers and then fined the hermit seem to have overlooked such things as ignorance of our language, ignorance of our culture and above all treating a human being, no matter how destitute, as a human being.

This man was obviously confused throughout the whole affair and undoubtedly is still confused. He's attempting to live in a rather hostile world. He is receiving punishment for infraction of rules which he doesn't know or understand, and there is no sign of help from any quarter.

Now that the giant killers have brought him to justice via punishment, what are they going to do to help him?

Stowe

CARL DELACATO

Hands Off Student Bands

To the Editor: I agree with Student "A Marching Bandman on Petrillo," Readers Say, Dec. 6. I don't think the union should have anything to say about high school bands playing for public functions. The children go to school to learn, and they deserve this chance to prove their accomplishments.

Pottstown

CAROL

Keep 'Em Back, Boys

To the Editor: I'm not anti-Christmas, but I hope the tree peddlers keep their trees back on the sidewalks so that walkers with bundles can get by without trouble.

Pottstown

SHOPPER

FOR THE LIVING OF THESE DAYS

By

VICTOR F. PATTERSON
General Secretary Y.M.C.A.

IF THE IRON BE BLUNT, AND HE DO NOT WHET THE EDGE, THEN MUST HE PUT TO MORE STRENGTH; BUT WISDOM IS PROFITABLE TO DIRECT. Ecclesiastes 10:10

YOU HAVE NOT LEARNED TO DIRECT YOUR ENERGIES IN ACCORDANCE WITH HEAVENLY WISDOM WHEN YOU:

Are given to meaningless, empty effort, effort which lacks objective.

Have a lazy desire to avoid effort as an end in itself.

Have a selfish desire to increase your personal powers for private profit.

Allow your life to degenerate into a selfish and soulless mechanism.

Are lacking in intellectual honesty.

Fail to see things clearly because your mind is lighted by prejudices and jealousies.

Try to dodge trouble by running from the facts, behave yourself arrogantly.

Allow yourself to become careless, inert, self-conscious, and inhibited.

Are deaf to the music of Christ's works because you have not dared to march to that glory and rhythm and triumph.

Are not faithful in little things.

Act as though we are here to play, dream or to drift.

For these days of confusion and uncertainty you fall back on the simple philosophy of materialism.

Use superstition and ignorance as a basis for human character.

YOU HAVE A LIFE PURPOSE WHICH WILL GIVE NEW CONFIDENCE AND SURE DIRECTION AMID THE SWIRLING CURRENTS OF THIS DAY WHEN YOU:

Expend the precious energy of your life with the highest degree of wisdom.

Realize that man, not matter, is the chief problem of the world today.

Can daily find reasonable time for rest and play.

Realize the path of virtue leads through the valley of sacrifice.

Reject the way of the sword and follow the way of the cross, under all circumstances and at all costs.

Help to strengthen the world-wide missionary movement with its program of evangelism, nurture, education and ministry of service.

Help to create an international mind and international act.

Help to realize the reality of trusting in armed violence as a means of achieving security.

Can in days as dark as ours fight a good fight and keep the faith.

Bring to the Kingdom the hard thinking and the burning passion necessary to meet our present problems.

Realize that God's only one thing from you to let God be God within you.

Work to give to economics a spiritual content.

Pledge your time and strength and thought to speed the day when all success shall be founded upon service.

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Anxious Moments at Jefferson School Party



Five hundred and seventy-three children of the Jefferson school celebrated the Christmas season yesterday with a showing of movies and with parties in each room. Shown here are Judy Rosendale handing a gift package to Dennis Gabel, while looking on are (left to right): Nancy Williams, Hunter Mathews and Barbara Rubright. The parties and movies, including "The Night Before Christmas" and "Jack Frost," a cartoon, were sponsored by the Jefferson PTA, of which Mrs. James W. Montague is president.

—Mercury Staff Photo

Lower Pottsgrove School Pupils Enjoy Christmas Program and Special Parties

All 262 pupils in the Lower Pottsgrove school joined yesterday in a Christmas program that included songs, recitations and playlets. The boys and girls went from their seats in the audience to take their turn upon the stage, then returned to their role as audience as another group moved up. The programs were the same that 125 parents saw on Thursday, as part of the PTA schedule for the day.

State Police Officer Suspended Without Pay

HARRISBURG, Dec. 19 (AP)—Col C. M. Wilhelm, State police commissioner, said Lt. Herman Roush, commanding Troop D, with headquarters at McChesville, near Williamsport, was suspended today without pay.

The 48-year-old State police officer will be given a hearing at an early date. Col. Wilhelm disclosed without further comment.

No reason was assigned for the suspension pending further results of the hearing. Lt. Roush enlisted Sept. 22, 1924 in the old State Highway Patrol, later absorbed into the State police, and rose through the ranks until his promotion to lieutenant Sept. 16, 1936.

He saw service at Erie, Greensburg and Hollidaysburg before his assignment as commander of Troop D, at Williamsport in July 1945.

Mrs. Catherine Dummire, of grade three, watched her charges put on a playlet, "The Toys That Sold Themselves," while grade three and four pupils, directed by Mrs. Mabel Whitman, followed with another sketch, "The Hills of Bethlehem."

Mrs. Grace Borneman led her group in another surprise, and Mrs. Pearl Brown directed her grade five youngsters in a choral exercise, "At Christ's Birth," including both choral and speaking parts.

Norman V. Arndt, sixth grade teacher and principal, heard his group sing "White Christmas" and "Jingle Bells," and between each part of the program, the school orchestra played Christmas music.

A second portion of the day's activities were the Christmas parties held in each room, where the youngsters exchanged gifts and played games. Rounding out the day's activities was a showing of education films, including the life of George Washington, the baking and dairy industries and sports in Mexico. Discussing the day's program, teachers children to co-operate, to do the things they will have to do later in life, and to help them both to arrange programs and to take part in them.

RED HILL

Shirley M. Reed, corr. Dale Miller, delivery phone Pennsburg 4673

The Perkiomen Valley Lions club held its semi-monthly meeting at the Red Hill hotel with Lloyd Stutzman, a member of the faculty of Perkiomen school, as their guest speaker.

He urged deeper sense of peace and good will. The speaker was able to pass on many observations and recommendations in this fight because he traveled in Germany and other European countries in 1927, 1931 and 1932 and was in Hamburg, Germany as a university student when the war broke out on Sept. 1, 1939. Mr. Stutzman did undergraduate work at Gettysburg college and graduate work at Yale university, University of Berlin and Marburg university.

Richard Sterner was welcomed into the club as a new member. Birthday blooms were given to Raymond Fluck, Roger Lachman and H. Irving Raymond, Jr.

Mrs. Claude Freed was elected president of the Women's Missionary society of St. Paul's Lutheran church, Red Hill, at a meeting Tuesday night at the home of Mrs. H. X. Daugherty, South Main street. Forty-six members were present at the meeting, which was led by Mrs. Herbert Schoenly, of East Greenville. Christmas carols were sung at the meeting which was based on the Christmas theme. Other officers named for the coming year were Mrs. Ernest Bowser, vice-president; Mrs. H. H. Krauss, secretary; Mrs. Raymond Kline, treasurer; and Mrs. Alda Trauch, statistical secretary.

Rehearsals for preparation of Christmas service by the Beginners, Primary and Junior departments of the Sunday school will be held today at 1:30 p. m. at the church.

The annual election for church council was held on Sunday following the services in St. Paul's Lutheran church. The following have been nominated: Elder, Henry J. Nace and John A. Karver; deacon, John J. Dulin and Robert G. Faust. The regular meeting of Valley Grange was held Tuesday evening with C. B. Wehr as master. Mr. Donhue, of the Associated Hospital service of Philadelphia, attended the meeting and explained the hospitalization plan. The following literary program, with Mary Weiss as lecturer, was given "Drink to Me Only With Thine Eyes" as the opening song, roll call, "My Favorite Fruit"; violin solos by William Gaugler, accompanied by Llewellyn Kline, Mr. Waltz, the county agent, showed several slides of rural sections of Pennsylvania; closing song, Christmas carols were sung by the members. Two new members obligated. The birthday party was received by Mrs. Florence Hillegass. After the close of the meeting, the social committee served refreshments.

U. S. Surplus Property On Sale in Germany

FRANKFURT, Germany, Dec. 19 (AP)—Surplus U. S. Army materials which originally cost more than \$1,000,000,000 have been offered for sale to the British and American zones of Germany for \$236,000,000, officials announced today.

The surplus property, turned over to the office of foreign liquidation commission for disposal, includes medical supplies, cargo vehicles and spare parts, wire and communications equipment. Bill Reed and Francis Reed, of Summerville, spent Saturday in Center county where they were deer hunting. Francis Reed was the only one who was successful. Frederick Pfleger, Main street, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Pfleger returned home Monday after spending some time in Ohio with his uncle, Morgan Kephner. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Henry Jr. became the parents of a son, Peter Scott, Monday evening. Mrs. Henry is the former Marion Schwenk, of East Greenville.

Mr. and Mrs. William Kline, East Greenville, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. William Brey, Main street, Sunday. Paul Brey, Seaman 1/c, U. S. Navy, returned after spending a 13-day leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Irwin Brey, Main street. He enlisted in the Navy in June, 1946. Brey is attached to the USS Fitch which docked recently at Charleston, S. C.

Calvin Reed and daughter, Shirley, Ernest Brendlinger, Russell Weidner, Earl Roth, of Red Hill, also present were Merrill Swartley, Souderton, and Clyde Mase-more, Barto. They received many nice gifts. The cake was baked by James Freed who works at a bakery in East Greenville. Mr. and Mrs. Freed have five grandchildren and 11 children.

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TEN-CENT CULTURE — College Runs Art Library Renting Pictures to Students at a Dime Per Month

By GLORIA OLSON
Central Press Correspondent
MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.—College students today not only get their culture in classes. At the University of Minnesota, they buy it for two-bits a term through the school's art rental service.

Tucked in a corner room of the university auditorium is a 600-print collection of originals and reproductions of famous works of art. Prints circulate to students for a dime a month.

In the past, the service has remained open during each term and students have rented pictures at their convenience. However, times have changed.

Three weeks after fall term opened this year, the prints were gone. Students were more enthusiastic than ever before about art.

"We could have rented 1,000 prints if we had had them," said Miss Betty Maurstad, art librarian.

Miss Maurstad said students jammed the small rental room demanding prints—prints by particular artists, prints with certain types of frames, special sizes of prints. Students at Minnesota went all out for art.

H. HARVARD ARNASON, the chairman of the university art department, credits the increased interest to the fact that students are "learning to live with art."

Arnason formerly was an instructor in the department of art at Northwestern university and has been research assistant and lecturer for the Frick collection, New York. He has studied at the University of Manitoba, Northwestern university, Princeton university and the University of London.

"As the student continues to rent prints," said Arnason, "his interest in art develops. His friends notice his prints and they become interested, too."

"By living with a print for a period of time, the student learns to appreciate its cultural aspects. At first, he sees only the subject matter. Next, he begins to notice the way in which the artist has handled his materials—the brush strokes, organization, form and expression. It is a process of self-education."

During the war, Arnason worked with the Office of War Information in Iceland and Washington, D. C. In 1946, he was alternate United States representative on the preparatory committee of UNESCO. He served in London and Paris as technical adviser to the United States delegation.

ARNASON turned thumbs down on the idea that increased enrollment explains increased art interest. He pointed out that although enrollment at the university has increased only slightly since last year, interest in art rentals has skyrocketed.

Professor Arnason is highly pleased with the interest students are showing in the rental service.

"Consider how few persons in the average city visit the art galleries. A much larger percentage of students rented prints here," he said.

The rental service, begun in 1934 with 75 prints, is maintained strictly for the students' own enjoyment. It is operated on a library principle. If students do not return prints when they are due, a fine of two cents a day is charged. Students may rent a maximum of three prints. Faculty members are not eligible to use the service.

Included in the collection are Oriental etchings, silk screen prints, engravings and woodcuts. Landscapes make up about half of the collection and are most popular. Portraits rank low in popularity.

Among the prints most in demand are "The Woman in White," by Picasso; "The Palm Tree," by Homer; "Woman With Mangoes," by Gauguin; "Barges on the Rhone," by van Gogh; "Sailboats,"

by van Gogh; "The Harvest," by Breughel; "Young Girls in Black," by Renoir; and "The Piano Exercise," also by Renoir.

"Renoir, van Gogh and Picasso are especially popular," said Miss Maurstad. "Perhaps because they are big names in the art field. Some students choose their works because they have read about the artists and others like the prints for themselves."

ART LIBRARIANS try to save originals for persons who have been taking out prints regularly and have developed a real interest in art from a cultural standpoint.

"The original engravings are intimate, for example," said Miss Maurstad. "They are not colorful—just black and white—and the person who rents them must have an understanding of art to appreciate their true worth."

The 10 abstract and nonobjective paintings in the collection do circulate, although they are not particularly in demand.

"However, some students ask for the nonobjective works," Miss Maurstad said. "They see certain advantages in them. As one dentistry student pointed out to me this fall about a reproduction of 'Dreamy Improvisation,' by Kandinsky—a completely nonobjective work—

"See, it doesn't make any difference which way you hang it. It looks good any way. I'll hang it one way one week and another the next, and have a completely different picture."

Students appreciate the pure cultural angle of prints. A coed came into the rental office this fall and asked for "The Still Life," a water color by Braque.

"I won't want it for long—just long enough to copy it," she said. "You can't really know how wonderful Braque's composition is until you try to copy one of his paintings."

MOST students want colorful prints.

"They want something with some life to brighten up drab walls," said Miss Maurstad. "Students are choosy about which colors will go well with their walls, too. For example, we have two reproductions of Grant Wood's 'Woman With Plants.' The only difference is in the color of frames and students are very particular about which color they select."

Size of the print is also important. To illustrate, a young man asked Miss Maurstad for a print



ART LIBRARY—Miss Betty Maurstad, art librarian, helps Dan Sheplee, Minnesota chemical engineering student, select print for his room.

Reading Spokesmen Petition CAB for More Air Service

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 (P)—Two spokesmen from Reading, Pa., told the Civil Aeronautics board in personal visits today that their city expects from 500,000 to 1,000,000 visitors during its 200th birthday anniversary next year. And they asked that additional airline service be authorized to help meet the anticipated transportation rush.

Rep. Muhlenberg, Republican from Wernersville, a suburb of Reading, and Melvin H. Nuss, secretary-manager of Reading airport, told a reporter after their CAB visit that they were "delighted" with the cordial reception accorded them and were "quite hopeful" that some additional air service will be approved.

Reading now is served on a north-south route by Colonial Airlines and on an east-west route by Transcontinental and Western Air, Inc. (TWA).

United, Eastern and Pennsylvania Central Airlines are seeking new service to Reading and Colonial is seeking additional service in proceedings which have been consolidated with other applications in the Middle Atlantic case. A decision in the case has been expected for some time.

Nuss said the board members were asked to take Reading's anniversary and the anticipated visitor rush into consideration in reaching a decision.

"We said that Reading needs the service under normal conditions but that it will need it especially during next year's celebration," Nuss said.

The two Berks county residents said they were pleasantly surprised to learn that James M. Landis, chairman of the board, could well appreciate their enthusiasm for Reading.

Though he now considers Cambridge, Mass., his home town, Landis was born in Bally, a Berks county community not far from Reading.

RED SYMPATHIZERS SEIZED
BAGHDAD, Iraq, Dec. 19 (P)—A police official said today more than 30 persons had been rounded up in recent days and charged with "chaotic activities and Communist tendencies."

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BRUNO PLEA STUDIED
HARRISBURG, Dec. 19 (P)—A plea for the commutation of a life sentence now being served by Joseph Bruno for the 1934 election eve slayings at Kelayres continues to be held under advisement, the State pardons board said today.

Finds Law Stern



Licking His Chops, "Ponto," a Boston bull terrier, sits in a New York City "clink" after putting the bite on the law. It all happened when patrolman James McNiff, attempting to break up a fight, found himself hand-capped by the little fellow who had a firm grip on the seat of his pants. The men escaped but "Ponto," now sadder but wiser, faces the court.

Borough Briefs

James W. Strubing, of Laureldale, will receive a summons from Justice of the Peace Raymond C. Kelley, of the Second ward, on a charge of passing a red light.

Strubing was arrested by Motor Patrolman Earl J. Rhoads at 10:10 o'clock yesterday morning as he drove west on High street, passing through the red light at Franklin street.

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Judge Okays Request for more time to Raise Fine Money

By Staff Correspondent
NORRISTOWN, Dec. 19 — The Christmas atmosphere was present in court room A at the courthouse today as Judge George C. Corson granted the request of a defendant to give him some time in which to raise money for his fine and costs.

Richard A. Spier, Philadelphia, entered a plea of guilty to drunken and hit-run driving on Gravel pike, Perkiomen township, on Nov. 30. At that time he was arrested by State Policeman Chester A. Krupiewski of the Collegeville barracks.

Spier had sideswiped the automobile of Alonzo Harris, Collegeville RD 1, and had continued south on the roadway, overturning about a mile and a half away. Harris pursued him and notified police.

The defendant admitted the facts and testified he would refrain from drinking for a year. However he asked Judge Corson to give him an opportunity to raise the money required for the fine and costs.

Judge Corson then postponed sentence until Jan. 9 although he informed Spier that at that time a fine of \$100 and the costs would be imposed on him on the drunken driving accusation and that he would be placed on probation on the other charges.

PLAN FOR BASES APPROVED
PANAMA, Panama, Dec. 19 (P)—A committee of the national assembly voted today for conditional ratification of a proposed agreement with the United States covering Panama Canal defense bases.

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Two State Legislators Picked to Probe Groups

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 (P)—Two Pennsylvania Republican congressmen — Muhlenberg of Berks county and Jenkins of Luzerne—were named today to special House investigating committees.

Muhlenberg, an architect who is a member of the House public works committee, will serve on the group delegated to look into the nation's grain market situation—or, as the House put it, "to make studies of conspiratorial or other questionable practices which threaten the national economy of the country."

Jenkins, a lawyer, member of the House committee on merchant marine and fisheries, will look into transactions on grain and other commodity exchanges.

AUTHOR FINED \$85,000
OSLO, Norway, Dec. 19 (P)—Knut Hamsun, 88-year-old Nobel prize-winning author, was sentenced today to pay \$85,000 kroner (\$85,000) as damages for pro-Nazi articles written during the German occupation of Norway.

Brother and Sister Feiled by Typhoid

LANCASTER, Dec. 19 (P)—Two persons were stricken with typhoid fever and 13 of 74 others attending a wedding reception are thought to have contracted the disease, health authorities disclosed today.

County Health Officer Henry Homemaker said the persons attended the wedding celebration Thanksgiving Day at nearby Lititz. He said that investigation has failed to disclose the source of the infection.

The health officer launched an immediate search for all the guests after the illness of 16-year-old Esther Stauffer of Lititz was diagnosed as typhoid fever at Lancaster General hospital.

"It's too late to inoculate them," said Homemaker, "but we want to let them know of the danger. Typhoid if they get sick, there can be prompt diagnosis and treatment."

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Boyerstown Student Named to County Bicentennial Group

Philip West, son of Mr. and Mrs. Winfield A. West, 23 Fairview street, Boyertown, is one of two students named to represent the county on the special junior advisory committee set up by the Reading - Berks County Bicentennial celebration in 1948. It was announced at the high school yesterday.

West is a junior in the local school. President of the American Junior Red Cross council, he is also a member of the Varsity Lettermen's club and the Glee club. He is active in Boy Scouting, in which organization he holds the rank of Life scout. He is a member of Troop 3 Boyertown.

The advisory committee was set up by Alfred Stern, the Bicentennial director, to insure participation of youth in the 200th anniversary celebration which will begin on New Year's eve when a corps of riflemen armed with rugged "Kentucky" rifles and clad in colorful Pennsylvania Dutch costumes of the 1748 period will "shoot in" the New Year.

The first Berks county baby born in 1948 will bounce into prominence as the Bicentennial Baby. The co-operation of the Berks County Medical society and nearby hospitals has been pledged to determine which new-born child in 1948 will wear the official diapers.

Dr. Clair G. Spangler, secretary of the society, has instructed all members to report home births to the Bicentennial committee.

Also named to the junior advisory committee were William Bergman, Shillington High student, and William A. Heck and Genevieve Fodguski, of the Reading High school.

Dr. Thomas H. Ford, superintendent of Reading schools, and Newton W. Geiss, county superintendent, assisted Stern in working out the details of the committee. It was explained that Boyertown and Shillington were chosen to represent the county because of their large enrollment.

Boyerstown Classified

Deaths 1
RENNINGER—Near Shanesville, on Friday, Dec. 19, 1947, Jennie E. (Berthel), widow of William Renninger, aged 61 years. Relatives and friends are invited to the services from Schwenk Funeral Home, 124 W. Philadelphia Ave., Boyertown, Pa., on Tuesday at 1:30 p. m. Further services in St. Joseph's Hill Lutheran church. Interment in Hill Church cemetery. Friends may call Monday evening 7 to 9. (Schwenk)

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Special Christmas Programs to Open Church Holiday Festivities Tomorrow

Yuletide observance in local churches will get underway tomorrow when special Christmas programs will highlight services in Boyertown edifices.

A white gift service for intermediates to adults will be held in Church of the Good Shepherd, Evangelical and Reformed, tomorrow at 9 a. m. This will be followed by a service of infant baptism at 10:15 a. m.

At 2 p. m., the annual Christmas program by members of the Nursery, Beginners, and Primary departments of St. John's Evangelical Lutheran church will take place. Among the special features and the participants will be Alvin Hess, Daniel Kuser, Donna Lee Houck, James Youse and Mark Kurtz in an exercise. The following will present recitations: Fred Werner, Melvin Swavely, Glenn Rambo, Dawn Schealer, Gene Miller, Eloise Carichner and Willard Rhoads.

Also exercise, by Bruce Erb, Dolores Ann Reigner, Neal Toms, Mary Louise Horn, John Kline, Carol Lee Reitauner and Daniel Seyers; song: "Auld Lang Syne"; exercise, Louise Fox, Elaine Renninger, Richard Weller, Mary Louise Rhoads, Norbert Carichner, Larry Royer, Donna Lee Merkel, David Clouser; recitation, Jay Schaeffer; exercise, Marie Hess, Evelyn Cole, Sandra Mutter, Ernest Schaeffer, Robert Dierolf, Ronald Houck, Walter Rhoads and David Smith.

Also song, Gwendolyn Ott; exercise, Madeline Bauer, Gwendolyn Ott, Arlene Weider, Alice Reider, Florence Mest, and David Dotterer; recitation, Bobby Schaeffer; exercise, Albert Jafolla, Kathleen Keim, Lynn Moyer, David Ritter, Patsy West, and Martin Weiser; recitation, Syrie Zerr; song, Laura Jean Johnson; recitations, Bruce Graham, Billy Floyd, Charles Gross, Jean Louise Kochel, Susan Mercer, Beverly Ann Mest, Kitty Schott and Anna Marie Reinert.

Also exercise, Annette Blom, Margaret Leidy, Dolores Astheimer, Gene Starr, Barry Stark, Gloria Hoffman and Janice Youse recitations, Janet Smithson, Lucille Graham, Ruth Chittick; and exercise, Jane Bause, Gail Mest, Janice Hartman, Lois Moyer and Audrey Unger.

Also exercise, David Gabel, Carl Knauer, Ronald Moser, and Richard Schramm; exercise, Gail Pennypacker, Dennis Schaeffer, Ruth Ann Wasson, Marjorie Rose, Myrna Miller, John Allmendinger, James Mercer, Joyce Bohn, Gail Betz and

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Mrs. Florence Werner Honored on Birthday

A surprise birthday party was given for Mrs. Florence Werner at her home, 304 East Fifth street, recently by her children.

Cards were played and luncheon was served. Three large cakes were used as centerpieces. The honored guest received many gifts.

Present were Mr. and Mrs. John Nester, Mrs. Signe Brodine, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Werner, Mrs. Naomi Frank, Mrs. Verdi Werner and son, Gerald; Mrs. Sara Werner and children, Joseph, Frederick and Kathleen; Mr. and Mrs. William Werner and son, Richard; Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hartman and children, Carl, Mary and Janice; and the guest of honor.

High School Notes

School-wide observance of Christmas was inaugurated in the high school yesterday when students of Luella C. Hood's 8-A section presented a program of Christmas stories and music.

The program opened with playing of a recording narrated by William Hampton of the Christmas story from the Bible. A chorus from the homeroom sang "Mary's Carol" and "White Christmas," accompanied at the piano by June Rector.

Ira M. Reinert, director of vocal music, led a carol sing in which the student body participated. Then followed two piano solos by Carl Berky, who played "Rhapsody in Blue" and "Prelude in A Minor," by Kabalensky. A brass quartet composed of Eugene Johnson, Henry D. Johnson, David Schaeffer and Harold Landis played "Cantique de Noel" and "Christmas Variations."

A pep rally preceding the Boyertown-Fleetwood game last night was held in the high school auditorium yesterday, highlight of which was introduction of the junior varsity cheerleaders. They were presented by Barbara Bernhart. The new cheerleaders are Mary Neitan, Mary Ellen Mutter, Janet Horn, Patsy Rhoads, Nancy Renninger and Winifred Balmer.

BOARD SHOOT TODAY

A hanging board and flying board shoot will be held today at 1 p. m. by Boyertown Rod and Gun club at the clubhouse on East Front street. Proceeds from the shoot will go to the club fund for purchase of rabbits, it was announced.

Iodine in the human body is contained almost entirely in the thyroid gland, but small amounts occur in the blood and other tissue.

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St. John's Evangelical Lutheran, the Rev. D. P. Longacre, pastor. Sunday, 9 a. m., Bible school; 10:15 a. m., service; 1 p. m., catechetical class; 2 p. m., Christmas program by Nursery, Beginners, and Primary department; 7:30 p. m., Christmas program by Main Department. Monday, 6:30 p. m., Junior, Chapel, and Senior choir rehearsal. Tuesday, 7 p. m., Boy Scouts. Wednesday, 9 p. m., Luther League Christmas party. Thursday, 6 a. m., annual dawn service; 7:30 p. m., Christmas program by Young Peoples and Adult Bible classes. Friday, 8 p. m., choir.

Church of the Good Shepherd, Evangelical and Reformed, the Rev. H. L. Schuck, pastor. Sunday, 9 a. m., Sunday school; 10:15 a. m., service; 1 p. m., catechetical class; 2 p. m., adult baptism and confirmation; 7 p. m., Children's Christmas program. Monday, 7 p. m., Boy Scouts. Thursday, 6 a. m., annual dawn and candle-lighting service.

Trinity Evangelical Congregational, the Rev. W. E. Bowers, pastor. Sunday, 9 a. m., Sunday school Christmas program; 1:30 p. m., Candlelight service.

Meantime Meeting house, Alfred A. Detweiler, pastor. Sunday, 9 a. m., Sunday school; 10 a. m., service.

St. Columbkil's Catholic, the Rev. B. H. Creamer, pastor. Saturday, 9 a. m., children's mass and catechetical class. Sunday, 7 and 9 a. m., mass. Mass weekdays at 8. Vespers at 7.

Gospel hall, East Fifth street. Sunday, 9 a. m., Sunday school; 10:15 a. m., service; 7 p. m., service. Tuesday, 8 p. m., Bible study. Wednesday, 8 p. m., prayer meeting.

Gospel hall, 415 East Fourth street. Sunday, 9 a. m., Sunday school; 7 p. m., service.

Lewis Staudt Names Wife as Beneficiary

Annie Staudt is the life beneficiary of the estate of her husband, Lewis C. Staudt, of Bechtelsville, valued at \$500 in personal property and \$2000 in real estate, which is a house in Bechtelsville. At the time of death of the widow, the children share the estate. Letters were issued in Reading to Ammon C. Staudt, the executor.

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Personal Property Of Brewing Concern To Be Sold at Sale

A sheriff's sale of personal property is scheduled to take place at Boyertown Brewing company, 128 East Philadelphia avenue, Boyertown, on Friday, Dec. 26, at 1:30 p. m.

This was revealed yesterday when a deputy sheriff from Reading placed a sheriff's sale notice on the door of the Boyertown plant, which for about 13 years has been engaged in brewing Boyertown beer.

First indication that the Boyertown plant's status was about to change came last week when all employees except the brewmaster were laid off. Leroy J. Snyder, the president of the concern, could not be reached for comment and it was not until yesterday that a deputy sheriff put the sheriff's sale signs on the property. Normally the plant employs eight men.

The deputy pointed out that the sale might not be held since a satisfactory adjustment could yet be worked out by appointment of a receiver. Or a recapitalization of the plant could take place to the satisfaction of both the sheriff's office and the company, he added.

Items offered for sale include brewery equipment and supplies including cooler, air compressor, coil boxes, ten 60-barrel steel tanks, beer pump, pasteurizer, a labeler, and a filler. Three International stake body trucks are also on the list for sale by the sheriff's office.

More than 500 barrels of beer are also on the list, as well as office equipment. Also for sale by the sheriff's office is one 30-barrel glass-lined tank; 15 beer racks, 52 cases beer, unlabeled; 225 empty beer cases; one mash tub, one copper brew kettle, and four 200 barrel steel tanks. Other equipment, of both general office nature and of the type used by a brewery, completes the list.

Man to Be Arrested On Assault Charge

William M. Spohn, 62, of 537 East Third street, Boyertown, will be arrested on charges of aggravated assault and battery, it was announced last night by Victor J. Roberts, Pottstown, attorney for Joseph Fisher, 65, Englestown.

Fisher, who was released Thursday from Memorial hospital, will charge that Spohn used a blunt instrument in attacking him without provocation the past Saturday in the United Underwear mill, Rhoads avenue, Boyertown, where Fisher is night watchman and Spohn is fireman.

The warrant for Spohn's arrest will be requested of Justice of the Peace Earl H. Keim, 133 North Walnut street, Boyertown, as soon as Fisher is completely recovered from the lacerations and bruises of the body and head, Roberts said.

REHEARSAL CALLED
Participants in the children's Christmas program, scheduled for Church of the Good Shepherd, Evangelical and Reformed, will rehearse today at 1:30 p. m. in the Sunday school room.

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PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. Augustus D. Gresh and son, Louis, and daughter, Wanda, 26 College street, were scheduled to leave early this morning for Tampa, Fla., to visit Mrs. Gresh's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis H. Meeth. They plan to stay about ten days.

Lee L. Henry, son of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac S. Henry, New Berlinville, is home from Mercersburg academy for the Christmas holidays.

Marion H. Boyer of the high school faculty, will spend the Christmas holidays in St. Petersburg, Fla.

DEATHS - FUNERALS

JENNIE E. (BERTOLET) RENNINGER, 61, widow of William H. RENNINGER, died unexpectedly yesterday morning in her home near SHANESVILLE, BOYERTOWN RD 1.

A native of Oley township, she was a daughter of the late David and Lydia (Mensch) RENNINGER. She was a member of Christ Lutheran church, Spangville; the Sunday school, and Luther League of Hill church; and Camp 176, PO of A. Manatawny. Her husband died two years ago.

Surviving are five children: Frances and Beatrice, both at home; Lester, Shanesville; Naomi, wife of Leon Stutler, Spangville; and Donald, Philadelphia; five grandchildren; a brother, Edwin, of Leesport; and two sisters: Alice, wife of James Hames, of Leesport; and Mrs. Ella Fegley, Fleetwood.

Services will be held on Tuesday at 1:30 p. m. from a funeral home at 124 West Philadelphia avenue, Boyertown. Further services will be conducted in St. Joseph's (Hill) Lutheran church, the Rev. Luther Lee Lengel officiating. Burial will be made in the church cemetery.

Funeral services for **ANNA S. (LANDIS) HOFFMAN**, widow of the late Clement D. Hoffman 137 SOUTH WASHINGTON STREET, BOYERTOWN, were held yesterday at 2 p. m. from a funeral home at 124 West Philadelphia avenue, Boyertown.

The Rev. Harper L. Schneek, pastor of Church of the Good Shepherd, Evangelical and Reformed, officiated. Burial was made in Fairview cemetery, Boyertown. Bearers were Daniel Sands, Landis Meyer, Walter, Ralph, Paul and John Landis.

Liberty Fire Company To Hold Christmas Party

A kiddies Christmas party will be held in Liberty Fire company, New Berlinville, on Christmas day from 8 to 11 a. m. for children of members and all children of New Berlinville 12 years of age and under. Santa Claus will be present. It is being sponsored by the fire company.

YULE PARTY TONIGHT
The YMCA movement's Christmas party for ten-agers will be held tonight in the YMCA rooms of East Philadelphia avenue. Dancing will follow games and refreshments.

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White House preparations for Christmas include decorating the south grounds where President Truman heads annual tree-lighting ceremony on Christmas Eve.

GREEN LANE

Mrs. Paul R. Nestler, corr. Phone Boyertown 2291, K friends, delivery.

The Green Lane Marlboro school children will present an operetta, "Merry Christmas," Tuesday night at 7:30 o'clock in the consolidated school at Green Lane. Members of the cast are Helene Nestler, Patsy Propst, Richard Trumbauer, Courtney Emile, Cleta Gilbert, Charles Hartzell, Arnold Bardman, Norman Graupner, Edith Brendlinger, Rellor Kolb, George Lear, Harry Blank, Sara Godshall and Richard Long. Music will be provided between acts by the primary children's rhythm band.

Miss Mildred Strunk attended the funeral of her grandfather in Philadelphia recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Johnson visited their daughter in a Philadelphia hospital recently.

Mrs. Elmer Reiter attended the cantata given at St. Mark's Lutheran church, Pottstown, recently. The combined choirs of St. John's and Keeler's Lutheran churches had their annual Christmas party on Wednesday evening at the Green Lane firehall. Gifts were exchanged by the group and a purse of gold was given to the Rev. Angstadt. Refreshments were served to 125 guests. Rudy Heller, of the Obelisk congregation, read "Gly Slants" and various choir members gave vocal selections. Paul R. Nestler Jr. accompanied the group in the singing of carols with his saxophone. John Hildenbrand is on the sick list.

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Tax Board Members Have Pay Held Back

HARRISBURG, Dec. 19 (P)—Salary checks for G. Graybill Diehm and Edwin Winner, chairman and member of the new State tax equalization board, respectively, were held up today by Auditor General G. Harold Wagner pending a ruling on job compatibility.

Wagner said his department has asked "a letter of advice" from Attorney General T. McKeen Childsey on whether there is "any conflict" between the new State posts held by the two men and elective county offices they still hold.

Diehm, who receives \$10,500 as tax board chairman, is also Lancaster county commissioner at \$5000 a year and was re-elected for another four-year term the past November, a short time before his appointment to the State post by Gov. James H. Duff.

Winner is treasurer of Montgomery county where his term will end December 31. He receives \$10,000 on the tax board. The third member, Walter Kress, resigned as deputy secretary of revenue before taking his new post. The Justice department said that so far there has been no decision on Wagner's request. Pay checks for a month for the two men are being held up pending a decision.

MARRIAGE LICENSES
Among marriage licenses applied for in Reading recently is that of Charles E. Staudt Jr., 21, of Reading, and Julia C. Hafer, 21, of Boyertown RD 2.

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Mrs. Mayme Dampman is spending the winter at Marion Beach, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lytle and family, of Chester, visited Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bilharz.

Miss Dorothy Kerns spent the weekend with Miss Minnie Painter.

Mr. and Mrs. John Strock spent an evening with Mr. and Mrs. Lacey Shumate.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Ibach and son, Bobbie, spent a day in Reading.

Friends wish a speedy recovery to John T. Rivers, local barber who is ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Kerns and family spent a day in West Chester.

Mr. and Mrs. John Nesley and son, Jack, visited Mr. and Mrs. Martin Larsen.

Mr. and Mrs. John E. Fries and family visited Mrs. Louisa Bruner, of Pottstown.

Mr. and Mrs. William Zerby entertained relatives from Spring City.

James Hallman visited friends in the village recently.

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State Democrats To Choose Truman On Primary Ticket

HARRISBURG, Dec. 19 (P)—Entry of President Harry S. Truman's name in Pennsylvania's preferential primary election next April was planned today by Democratic State leaders.

State Chairman J. Warren Mickle announced the decision and said it will give Pennsylvania voters a chance to vote for the man "they want to continue as President" of the United States.

Pennsylvania election laws permit the filing of nomination papers for President in either the Democratic or Republican primary elections without the consent of the national named. All that is required is the signature of a 100 qualified voters in each of ten counties.

The preference expressed by the voters, however, is not binding on delegates to the national convention of either party unless the elected delegate, at the time he filed his own nomination, also filed a pledge to support the popular choice in convention balloting.

Republican party activities looking toward the GOP national convention next June lived up also as State Sen. M. Harvey Taylor, Republican State chairman, virtually completed a survey of sentiment among county leaders with the aim of establishing a united front in the Keystone State's delegation of 73.

Coincidentally, N. B. Williams, temporary chairman of the Pennsylvania Draft Eisenhower league, opened headquarters here with the announced aim of starting a "people's campaign" to win the Republican presidential nomination for General Dwight D. Eisenhower.

Williams said he wants to hear from every supporter of Eisenhower, frequently mentioned as a GOP possibility although the five-star general himself has made no announcement whether he will accept the party's nomination.

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NEWSPAPER ARCHIVE

CANCER CLINIC FUND AWARDED

Pottstown Hospital to Get
\$4000 Annually for Work
in Detection of Disease

A grant of \$4000 yearly, retroactive to the past Dec. 1, has been made to Pottstown hospital for operation of the Cancer Detection Clinic, it was announced yesterday by A. C. Seawell, administrator.

The grant was made in a letter from the American Cancer Society, which sponsors similar clinics throughout the country.

"All grants are made for one year," the hospital was notified, "but the expectation is that they will be continued if the contributions come in over the country as expected."

The new Pottstown hospital clinic, which will be for women only, will be headed by Drs. Eugene T. R. Stone and A. A. Gallo, and the staff will include Dr. Ellinor S. HaSra.

Seawell emphasized the clinic will be for women who wish a thorough examination in an effort to detect cancer, and not for treatment of the disease once it is advanced.

"We are trying to detect cancer in its earlier stages," the hospital official declared.

Operation of the cancer clinic, which was announced the past Autumn, will be sponsored by the Women's Auxiliary of the hospital, and will be opened early next month.

SHUWALL PARTY —

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president of the New York office of the company, extended greetings to the employees.

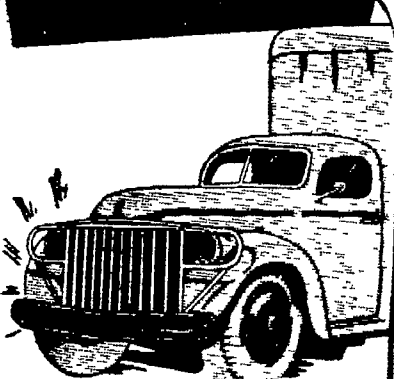
For 15 years' service to the plant, \$200 was given to Ben Livine, one of the floor managers of the Pottstown branch. Silverman made the presentation and some of the awards before he was replaced by Joseph Ryan, an official of the Pottstown plant.

Checks for \$100, awarded for 10 or more years with the company, went to Mary Urban, Victoria Postler, Rose Vitelle, Albert Tinkoff, Mrs. Erna Wynne, Ralph Baldwin, Lester Edelman, Mae Rauenzehn, Mrs. Leah Quigg, Mrs. Dorothy Russell, Mrs. Caroline Davis, Mrs. Ruth Pechin, Victoria Antonucci, Viola Shinn, Alverda Yerger, Mrs. Anna Chiy, Mrs. Rebecca Kast, Mary Jankovsky, Mrs. Alice Kummerer, Mrs. Mary Nomenacker, Mrs. Bertha Glanski, Mrs. Helen Grey, Alberta Pindjak, Elizabeth Zuefno, and Mrs. Edith Weinhold.

Music broke out after the presentations and a half hour of dancing ended the affair.

TO PROTECT AMERICANS
CAIRO, Dec. 19 (AP) — The Saudi Arabian legation issued a foreign office communique tonight emphasizing King Ibn Saud's intention to prevent any attacks upon Americans in his kingdom that might result from the Palestine partition plan.

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ANTI-INFLATION —

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the GOP measure on final passage. Rep. Spence (D-Ky) told the House "It is this or nothing" and he would support the bill.

The Senate passed the measure Thursday, 77 to 10. Republicans in both bodies argued that their bill was a good start in the anti-inflation battle and said the whole subject will be reviewed when Congress returns Jan. 6.

Agitation for the resolution giving Anderson power to publicize speculators was born of complaints that some traders were bidding up the cost of living, and statements from some Republican quarters that "Government insiders" were using advance, official information to speculate for profit.

Anderson previously asked the Senate appropriations committee for a Congress directive to reveal the names and was supported by Mr. Truman.

The Senate adjourned at 7:18 o'clock last night, while the House followed at 7:32 o'clock after listening to a song by an impromptu quartet composed of Reps. Plumley (R-Vt), Worley (D-Tex), Jones (D-NC), and Morris (D-Okla). They alleged they sang "The Been Working on the Railroad" but other members said they didn't recognize the tune.

GENERAL MEYERS —

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backs" paid to Meyers by the "dummy" officers of Aviation Electric. LaMarre held the title of company president. His brother-in-law, Thomas E. Readnow, was vice president.

Meyers told the senate committee he established the concern because Mrs. LaMarre was his "girl friend" with LaMarre's knowledge. She has said this is a lie and that she will sue the general for slander.

After the indictments were returned, Federal Judge David A. Pine ordered bench warrants issued for Meyers and LaMarre. They are to be allowed to post bond or be placed in custody pending arraignment here expected after the holidays, probably on Jan. 7.

It is estimated that about 86 percent of workers in U. S. industries have paid vacations.

HERMIT'S \$870 —

provides that any money received by a hermit up to and including the amount paid out, must be returned. Urr had deposited the money in the bank so that when he returned to Europe, he could take it to his dead brother's son.

Haring is required by law to try to repossess this money and to return it to the State.

In giving receipts to Urr for both the money and bankbook, Haring informed him that he will continue to receive aid from the State each month until such time as he can enter the home for the aged. Haring said he would work through Miss Jennie M. Scott, director of the Norristown office, to try to have Urr cared for in the future.

The first commercial consignment of tea to Europe is believed to have reached Holland about 1920.

The United States must import almost two-thirds of the quicksilver it uses.

PREVENTION OF EYE INJURIES

Dr. H. C. Baumann

This column is written by Dr. H. C. Baumann, Ophthalmologist at a competent authority on matters pertaining to eyesight.

For the control of industrial eye accidents, whether from flying particles, splashing liquids, or injurious radiations, the tendency is the wearing of goggles. Due to the dislike most men have for them, even when provided, many plants now place the safety device right at the machine.

However, of equal importance to safety devices is the educating of the employees in the matter of safety.

Adequate light is very important. Much work done by illuminating engineers shows a definite relation between illumination and industrial efficiency. The aim is to have adequate illumination where needed and without glare or flicker. Also, use of the proper colors for better contrast and to cut down fatigue helps prevent many accidents. The use of dull grays and blacks are not only tiring but make the moving parts of the machine very difficult to distinguish.

If you have any questions concerning your eyes, address Dr. Baumann at 255 High Street, Pottstown, and your query will be answered through this column or by direct mail.

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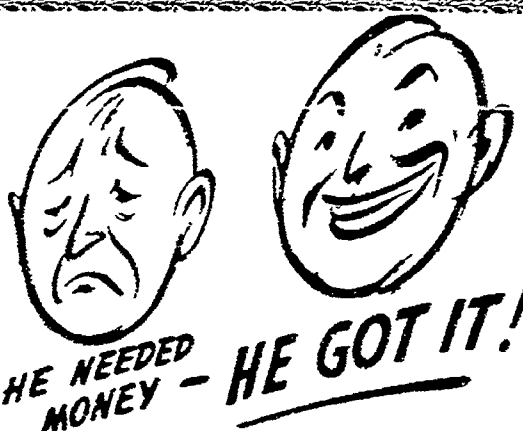
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Baptist, the Rev. Fred G. Bangs, pastor, 10 a. m. church service, 6:30 p. m. church service; 7:30 p. m. church service; 7:30 p. m. church service.

Sacred Heart, the Rev. Joseph J. Conway, pastor, Masses at 8:30 and 11 a. m.

Methodist, the Rev. Cortland R. Pusey, pastor, 9:45 a. m. church school; 11 a. m. church service; 7:30 p. m. church service; 7:30 p. m. church service.

Grace Lutheran, the Rev. Paul Henry, pastor, 9:30 a. m. church school; 10:30 a. m. church service; 7:30 p. m. church service; 7:30 p. m. church service.

Nazarene, the Rev. George W. Andrews, pastor, 9:30 a. m. church school; 11 a. m. church service; 7:30 p. m. church service; 7:30 p. m. church service.

Memorial-Brethren in Christ, the Rev. Paul E. Baer, minister, 9 a. m. church school; 10:30 a. m. church service; 7:30 p. m. church service; 7:30 p. m. church service.

Reformed church, the Rev. Franklin P. Watts, pastor, 9:30 a. m. church school; 10:30 a. m. church service; 7:30 p. m. church service; 7:30 p. m. church service.

Church of the Brethren, the Rev. Caleb Bucher, 9:30 a. m. church school; 10:30 a. m. church service; 7:30 p. m. church service; 7:30 p. m. church service.

Episcopal (Episcopalian) the Rev. Caleb Bucher, 9:30 a. m. church school; 10:30 a. m. church service; 7:30 p. m. church service; 7:30 p. m. church service.

Garwood Sunday school, M. G. Reed, superintendent; 2 p. m. service.

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Reformed the Rev. Garret O. Adams, pastor, 9:30 a. m. church school; 11 a. m. church service; 6:30 p. m. church service; 7:30 p. m. church service.

St. Clare's Catholic, Linfield the Rev. Joseph J. Conway, pastor, Masses, 8:30 and 11 a. m.

Bethel Methodist, the Rev. R. Sention Duvall, pastor, 9:30 a. m. church school; 10:30 a. m. church service; 6:30 p. m. church service; 7:30 p. m. church service.

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Zion's Lutheran, the Rev. H. Oscar Schlessman, Jr., pastor, 9:30 a. m. church school; 10:30 a. m. church service; 7:30 p. m. church service; 7:30 p. m. church service.

St. Joseph's Catholic, the Rev. Joseph J. Conway, pastor, Mass, 10 a. m.

Lutheran, the Rev. Joseph Schantz, pastor, 9:30 a. m. church school; 10:30 a. m. church service; 6:30 p. m. church service; 7:30 p. m. church service.

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Lutheran Church Plans Gift Service, Christmas Program

Children of Royersford Grace Lutheran Sunday school will present their Christmas program in connection with a White Gift service in Grace church tomorrow night at 7 o'clock.

White gifts will be received for the Good Shepherd home, Allentown. Musical features will be provided by a violin ensemble of the Lamb School of Music, Pottstown, directed by Rowland Lewis.

The program will include: recitation, Patty Copenhaver; exercise, Jerilyn Hesh and Peggy Wunder; recitations, Judy Schrad and Linda Thompson; Grace, Suzanne Grebe; exercise, Kenneth Quay, Barry Fry, Calvin Hagley, Eddie Huzzard and Judy Schrad.

Recitation, Sally Lowe; violin ensemble, Gwendolyn Weikel, Nancy Witt, Anne Neborak and Jerry Rehberg; recitations, Jimmy Custer and Patsy Diehl; solo, Louise Roseler; exercise, Irma Nettles and Kathryn Katz; recitation, Judy Bräwer; solo, Sandra Wright; recitations, Booby Schrad and Mary Finkbeiner, Richard Tyler and William Rogers; violin solo, Rowland Lewis; pageant, hymns and exercises.

The chapel choir will sing two numbers under direction of Mrs. Darwin Buckwalter.

Yule Program Listed By Trinity Church

Royersford Trinity Evangelical Congregational Children's Christmas program will be given tomorrow night at 7:30 o'clock in the church auditorium.

The program will be in the form of a play, and will consist of recitations and exercises.

The cast of the play includes: Earl Tyson Jr., Marcus Ward, Joyce Neuman, Sally Lee Fry, Clea Weber, Lorraine Neiman, Shirley Evans, Dorothy Gauger, Phyllis Weber, Ruth Ann Evans, Everett Evans, Dorothy Emswiler, June Pooley, Janet Evans and Kenneth Smith.

Recitations will be given by Mary Evans, Doris Umstead, Dorothy Ann Walker, Jay Markley Weber, Gerald Fritz, Linda Horning, Carol Anne Morrey, Jimmy Smith, Gary Ebert, George E. Taggart, Buddy Hallman, Joyce Evans, Gerald Keller, Sandra James, Patsy Fitzgerald, Eileen Hallman, Joan Thompson; exercise, Jimmy Brownback, Donald Fritz, Ronald Hunsicker and Jimmy Brownback.

Bible Class Schedules Covered Dish Social

The Zwunglian Bible class of Royersford First Evangelical and Reformed church, taught by Paul Unger, will have a covered dish social tonight at 5:30 o'clock, followed by a Christmas party, in the social hall of the church.

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Spring City High School Student Wins First Prize in State Rural Essay Contest

Marjorie Bechtel, Spring City, was announced yesterday as first prize winner of \$100 in the Pennsylvania Electrical Association Rural Essay contest.

P. R. Swanson, Norrisstown, division manager of Philadelphia Electric company, announced the winners at a luncheon in Valley Forge hotel, Norrisstown.

More than 200 essays were received in the state-wide contest, sponsored by the PEA, in co-operation with affiliated utilities.

In addition to receiving cash awards, each winner was permitted to designate an organization to which a similar sum of money was presented by the association.

The duplicate of Miss Bechtel's prize went to Mrs. Jacob Kolb, Spring City, in behalf of the Sunday school class of Vincent Mennonite church.

Philip M. Alden, Philadelphia Electric company executive, was toastmaster at the luncheon, which was attended by a group of utility officials and civic and business leaders.

60 Attend Banquet Of Legion Auxiliary

The Ladies' Aid of Walter Caffrey American Legion post, Spring City, had its annual Christmas party-banquet in Tall Cedars temple Thursday night, with 60 members attending.

During a business session the nominating committee, composed of Mrs. W. Miller, Mrs. D. Moore, Mrs. C. Eckert, presented a slate of the officers for election. The election resulted as follows:

Mrs. Frank Kramer, vice president; Mrs. Irvin Quigg, vice president; Mrs. Joseph O'Connor, recording secretary; Mrs. Clyde Happle, treasurer, and Mrs. William Fearnhaber, financial secretary.

The program included carol singing, piano selections by Mrs. Harriett Shanoer, Bobby Hunter and Virginia Moore; vocal solo, Alice Parke; accordion solo, Tommy Gentle, and duet, Muses Umstead and Copenhaver.

Community Carol-Sing Listed for Tomorrow

The annual Community Caroling, sponsored by Royersford Council of Churches, will be held tomorrow night at 9 o'clock in Grace Lutheran church, Mrs. Helen Wilson Reid, Spring City, will conduct the group singing. The Rev. Paul J. Henry will lead the devotions.

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Feller Replaces Fala As White House Dog

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 (AP)—Feller will follow Fala as boss dog at the White House.

Feller is a three-week-old Cocker Spaniel pup, silver buff in color.

Due to arrive by air freight tomorrow, he is a gift from Mrs. Peter Joseph Marsden of Galena, Ill., who once was a nurse for President Truman's mother, the late Mrs. Martha E. Truman.

Brig. Gen. Wallace H. Graham, the President's physician, got the assignment of raising Feller. The pup will have the run of the White House grounds and sleep in a tool shed, as did the late President Roosevelt's Scottie, Fala.

It has been estimated that people of the world drank 200 million cups of tea in 1939.

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Connecticut Official, Aides Indicted on U. S. Charges

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 19 (AP)—Frank W. Kraemer, collector of internal revenue for Connecticut, and two of his top aides were indicted today in federal indictments of unlawfully collecting Democratic campaign funds from fellow Federal employees.

The indictments charged that the trio solicited and collected about \$2500 from 22 employees "for the purpose of furthering the interest of the Democratic party" in the 1946 general election.

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AID TO EUROPE —

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largely independent Economic Co-operation Administration which would, however, be responsible to the secretary of state in matters involving foreign policy.

The agency would be headed by a \$20,000-a-year administrator, appointed by the President with Senate approval. He would be assisted by a \$17,500-a-year deputy and a \$25,000-a-year "roving ambassador" to supervise the program abroad.

Mr. Truman told Congress that Europe's economic plight "has intensified a political struggle between those who wish to remain free-men living under the rule of law and those who would use economic distress as a pretext for the establishment of a totalitarian state."

Expressing confidence that the program is "well within our capacity to undertake," the President said it nevertheless would require "some self-denial by the people of the United States," and he said other countries would be expected to provide what supplies they can.

The President recommended that aid be extended "partly in the form of grants and partly in the form of loans" and he stressed that the program is based on the assumption that "by 1952 Europe could again

meet its needs without special aid."

Countries getting help, the President said, must sign agreements promising to increase their industrial and agricultural production, stabilize their currencies and co-operate among themselves to restore the normal flow of trade.

Of the Eastern European countries which followed Russia's example in boycotting the program he said:

"Their failure to join in the concerted effort for recovery makes this effort more difficult and will undoubtedly prolong their own economic difficulties."

The President asked Congress to appropriate \$6,800,000,000 early in the next session for the 15 months beginning April 1, 1948.

"The best estimates we now can make indicate that appropriations of about \$10,200,000,000 will be required for the last three years," he said, and he asked that this sum be voted on a year-to-year basis.

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Army's new glider, unveiled for first time in Washington, D. C., is first all-metal cargo glider produced in U. S. It boasts tricycle gear to lessen landing shock, 86-foot wing spread, and cabin room for 30 fully equipped troops. U. S. Army Signal Corps photo.

MARSHALL RAPS —

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States delegation decided that, if German unity were to be achieved, the U. S., Britain, Russia and France would have to make five fundamental decisions, which he thus listed:

1. Elimination of artificial zonal barriers to permit free movement of persons, ideas and goods throughout all Germany.
2. Surrender by the occupying powers of properties seized in Germany under the guise of reparations.
3. A currency reform involving new and sound currency for all Germany.
4. A definite decision on future economic burdens on Germany including reparations.
5. An overall export, import plan for all Germany.

Progress was made on none of these, Marshall noted. Concluding with the comment that a realistic peace agreement with Russia appeared far distant, Marshall said:

"In the war struggle, Europe was in a large measure shattered. As a result a political vacuum was created and until this vacuum has been filled by the restoration of a healthy European community, it does not appear possible that paper agreements can assure a lasting peace. Agreements between sovereign states are generally the reflection and not the cause of genuine settlements."

"It is for this very reason, I think, that we encounter such opposition to almost every proposal the western powers agreed upon."

The Itch to Learn Is Just Plain Itch

BYDGOSZCZ, Poland, Dec. 19 (AP)—School children in the Pomorz district are doing a lot of scratching. A health report showed 19,000 out of 93,000 had lice. Another 14,000 are suffering scabies. Nine percent of all the children have tuberculosis.

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Secret Type of Gas Used by Air Force To Speed up Planes

NEW YORK, Dec. 19 (AP)—One hundred-forty-five octane gasoline, a war secret, is in use by the Air Force in the Far East.

This power fuel is still a military secret, except for the fact of its existence, revealed recently at Pearl Harbor when some Air Force planes were unable to fly to the Far East because they were fitted only to use 100-octane gasoline, which was the super-fuel when World War II began.

The new 145-octane means a gasoline nearly twice as powerful as that used by motorists. But actually the number is misleading. Octane is the official yard stick for measuring gasoline power. There are no estimates on how high over 100 it can go.

The increase of 45, over 100, is probably only an increased power for take-off and not for flight, except for emergencies when a fighter plane, or a bomber, wants an extra spurt of speed. During the war those extra spurts were obtained by injecting water, alcohol or xylene into the gasoline for a few minutes. In the 45-octane gasoline it is presumed that no additions are needed.

The gasoline now used by the airlines, which is 130 octane, is described by Dr. Gustav Egloff, director of the Universal Oil Products Company, Chicago. This airline gasoline, like that of cars, is formed by adding a little lead (tetra ethyl) to a good grade of gasoline.

There is one form of fuel, named iso-octane, which rates the top power 100-octane, in which no lead is added.

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Anti-Communist Group Quits French Union

PARIS, Dec. 19 (AP)—The anti-Communist minority seceded from the Communist-dominated General Confederation of Labor today as the result of the recent wave of nation-wide strikes.

The wide-open split in French labor was voted by delegates to a national conference of the "workers' force," the anti-Communist wing of the General Confederation of Labor (CGT) which coalesced during the strikes and centered about the personality of Leon Jouhaux, long-time secretary of the CGT and now co-secretary with a Communist.

As late as 1910 Brazil furnished 90 percent of the world's rubber.

Lebanese Official Fears Soviets May Arm Arabs

BEIRUT, Lebanon, Dec. 19 (AP)—A high Lebanese government official said today he "feared Soviet Russia might offer arms to the Arabs for use in Palestine and the Arabs would accept them."

The official, who declined use of his name, added that he knew of no overtures from Russia "as yet."

"Some Western nations have already banned shipments to the Middle East. But the Arabs will take arms from wherever they can get them, even from Russia, although they hate Communism," he added.

Jerusalem was destroyed by the Emperor Titus in the year 70.

Major Battle Predicted For Mukden Possession

NANKING, Dec. 19 (AP)—A government general forecast today a "major battle" for possession of Mukden as Chinese Communists were reported attacking 50 miles north of that Manchurian metropolis despite bitter winter weather.

The official central news agency quoted Gen. Chen Tung-Kuo, deputy director of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's northeast (Manchurian) headquarters as making the prediction in a Mukden press conference.

Unofficial reports from Peiping said the Communists also were advancing towards Kaiyuan, 55 miles northeast of Mukden.

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Government Approves
Premier's Policy; Nine
Hurt in Sicily Violence

ROME, Dec. 19 (AP)—Premier Alcide de Gasperi, hard pressed by leftist criticism and demonstrations, was given a new vote of confidence in the constituent assembly tonight after nine persons had been reported hurt in Caltanissetta in Sicily's second outbreak of violence in two days.

The assembly approved an order of the day saying it had heard and approved government declarations of policy. The roll call of 435 deputies showed 303 for the order and 118-Communists and pro-Communist Socialists—opposed. Fourteen did not vote.

Supporting de Gasperi's government were his Christian Democrats and most deputies of the Republican and Labor-Socialist parties, admitted the cabinet this week, and of the Liberal party and Uomo Qualunque (Common Man) movement.

Before the vote, the Communists and their Socialist allies criticized the government at length, and de Gasperi gave an hour-long reply.

The interior ministry, reporting the trouble in Caltanissetta, said strikers blockaded the city hall and resorted to gunfire and grenades when police charged them.

The ministry said leftists blocked off the city hall to prevent a meeting of the city council which was to elect a new Christian Democrat mayor. When police sounded warning trumpets and charged, the leftists dispersed but reformed. Police charged a second time, and were met with bullets and small bombs, the ministry said.

Rome newspapers reported that one corporal of Carabinieri, two police agents and six demonstrators were injured.

Violence also broke out inside the building when the father of a councilman drew a pistol to protect his son and was injured in the scuffle to disarm him, the ministry added. A general strike continued at Caltanissetta, another one was called at Messina, and others were threatened at Agrigento and Trapani, all in Sicily.

The workers were protesting that promised pay bonuses had not been received.

MINISTER APPOINTED
MONTEVIDEO, Uruguay, Dec. 19 (P)—President Luis Battle Berres appointed Dr. Daniel Castellanos minister of foreign affairs today.

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Yearly Basis For Aid Plan Asked by GOP

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 (P)—President Truman's four-year, \$17,000,000,000 aid Europe program had no more than reached Congress today before it ran into Republican demands that any pledge of assistance be limited to one year.

Chairman Taft (R-Ohio), of the Senate Republican policy committee, told a reporter that he will do all he can to hold both authorizations and actual appropriations to a year-to-year basis.

"I don't think Congress should commit itself in advance to any four-year program," he declared.

Taft said he would reserve comment on the amount until he has a chance to study the detailed figures.

But Senator Ball (R-Minn) said it would be "foolhardy" for this country to promise \$17,000,000,000. "We certainly can't afford to spend \$6,800,000,000 on it next year," Ball said.

Ball said he will insist that the program carry through only one year and be rechecked annually by Congress.

Democratic Leader Barkley (Ky) said he thinks the amount is "conservative" for expenditures over four years.

"By every process of screening the overall amount has been reduced to a reasonable figure," Barkley said. "I sincerely hope that after giving it serious consideration, Congress will adopt the plan without undue delay and without material change."

Senator Ferguson (R-Mich) said that if Congress approves a four-year plan Europe will regard that "as an absolute pledge that we will put up \$17,000,000,000 and that they don't have to do anything to help themselves."

Senator White (Me), the Republican floor leader, indicated that he doesn't believe Congress will cut the President's figures substantially. "My guess is," White told a reporter, "that when the show-down comes the President's figure will be pretty substantially sustained, even if reluctantly."

These were among the comments voiced:
Senator McCarthy (R-Wis):

Rabid Leader Heads Cairo Rally



One of the most violent of Arab leaders, Saïeh Harb Pasha, is carried through the streets of Cairo on the shoulders of his followers during a huge demonstration against the partition of Palestine. As head of the Young Men's Muslim association, he has been active in "war council" appeals for weapons and money "to save Palestine."

"Europe should be made to understand that the Marshall plan is not a one-way street. We ought to get some military bases that we need and some strategic supplies in return for the aid we are giving them."

Senator Hatch (D-NM): "My reaction to the President's message is—considering the conditions and the needs of the world—the proposal is not too large. If carried through in the interests of peace it may, and in my opinion it will, save

many billions which otherwise would be spent in war."

Senator O'Mahoney (D-Wyo): "I think the Marshall plan must be carried out if we are to have any hope of peace and economic recovery in the world."

HEADS PRESS CLUB
WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 (P)—Joseph H. Short Jr., of the Baltimore Sun bureau, tonight was elected president of the National Press club.

Jurist Assails Death Sentence For Hallowell

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 19 (P)—Judge Harry S. McDevitt announced today he will seek to have juries deprived of the power to fix penalties in first degree murder convictions as the result of the Hallowell police killing case.

The 23-year old William K. Hallowell was convicted last night and sentenced to life imprisonment for the fatal shooting of Patrolman Samuel K. Hewitt in a gun battle. Earlier he had received the same sentence upon conviction of killing Patrolman James Quigley.

"This," said Judge McDevitt, "is the greatest miscarriage of justice I ever saw. Nothing justifies a life sentence for a murder such as this."

"This verdict says to the police force: 'Your life is worth nothing. Let them shoot you down. We will find some justification for it.'"

The jurist said he will ask the next Legislature to take away the discretion of juries to decide between death and life imprisonment "since they do not know how to exercise it."

Jewish Fighters Kill Ten Arabs in First Reply to Invasion

JERUSALEM, Dec. 19 (P)—Jewish fighters—launching what Jewish sources described as the first blow to counter the Arab "invasion" of Palestine—killed ten Arabs and wounded five others today in an attack on the border village of Khisas.

Subsequently the Palestine government clamped a highway curfew on this upper Galilee area, prohibiting the movement of all Jewish vehicles for 36 hours.

Shortly after the toll in the Khisas attack had been counted the Arabs struck back by raking a convoy of buses in the Judean foothills with an automatic weapon fire. One Jew was killed and three others were wounded in this attack near Latroun.

Trench warfare developed near Tel Aviv.

A freight train was halted and stripped of some of its cargo by 100 armed Arabs.

The importance of the typewriter in the struggle between the Jews and Arabs was highlighted when a business training school in Tel-Aviv was held up by a group of Jews. As the men walked out with 12 of the machines, one of them said: "We need these for political purposes."

At least 14 persons were killed during the day bringing to 280 the number of deaths in the Holy Land since the United Nations voted for partition on Nov. 29. The toll throughout the Middle East exceeded 400.

68 Persons Slain as Riots Break Peace in India Area

NEW DELHI, Dec. 19 (P)—New communal rioting has broken out in India with 53 persons killed in the city of Ajmer and three killed and more than 15 injured in the old city of Delhi, it was announced today.

The disorders shattered the relative peace that had prevailed in India since the bloody riots of the past September were put down.

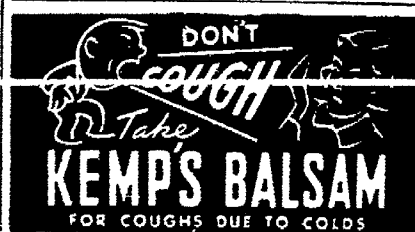
Ajmer, 220 miles southwest of New Delhi, is the site of a major Moslem shrine. Home Minister Sardar V. Patel said that Hindus and Moslems there fought each other for ten days before authorities gained control of the situation on Dec. 15. Three of the dead were policemen.

Patel said 41 shops looted and 16 burned by mobs and declared there had been "severe losses of property."

The disorders in Delhi were touched off yesterday when a bomb was thrown into a Moslem restaurant slightly injuring four persons. Delhi had been the scene of bitter communal fighting after the British handed over authority to the new dominion of India on Aug. 15.

Meanwhile, an official military spokesman of the dominion said the Moslem tribesmen from Pakistan who invaded the northern princely state of Kashmir were paying a 20-to-1 price in casualties in "bitter fighting" with Indian troops there.

A defense ministry communique said 58 raiders were killed and wounded in recent clashes with Indian patrols in the Uri and Poonch areas of Kashmir.



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Yuletide Theme is Prominent At Benefit Ball

Local charities were kept in the minds of many local persons as they danced in formal attire last night at the Green and Silver ball staged at the Brookside Country club by the Junior Service League.

Miss Almada Martz was chairman of the annual affair and Rita Bartholomew acted as co-chairman.

Silvered greens, a shimmering Christmas tree, wreaths with large red ribbon bows, holly and clusters of varied colored balloons were used as the appropriate decor for the holiday dance.

Ken Nichols and his orchestra played the dance music that brought many girls with that "new look" to the toes.

Among the dancers were the Misses Barbara and Mary Wells, twin sisters. Barbara was attired in a white off-the-shoulder gown and matching mink trimmed gauntlets. Her sister wore a black strapless lace gown with a drape over the back of the skirt.

Attired in a cinnamon colored lace ballerina length gown was Miss Pauline Estes while Mrs. Russell C. Shively appeared in graceful gray crepe gown with a skirt with two tiers.

Mrs. Robert C. Elicker was attired in a black moire gown. Wearing simple gown of taffeta with striped skirt was Mrs. C. B. Welsh, Mrs. Nelson Feroe also wore a cinnamon colored gown of ballerina length accented with gold colored jewelry.

Miss Betty Lachman chose a black lace off-the-shoulder gown with a white eyelet-trimmed bodice. Showing off her dark features with a plain red velvet gown off-the-shoulder was Mrs. Iva Bridges.

Among the persons who entertained prior to the dance was Mr. and Mrs. Whitney Sanders, of 1125 Queen street; Miss Mary Porter, 344 High street; Mr. and Mrs. R. F. King, 1308 Queen street; Allan Peterson Jr., 501 Highland road; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kulp, of 16 Farmington court; Mr. and Mrs. Paul D. Ammon Jr., of 62 North Hanover street; Miss Rita Bartholomew, Rowland and Saylor court, and Miss Jeanne Saylor, 1022 High street.

Other persons serving on the committees were Mrs. Richard Rosedale, chairman of decorations. Aides, Mrs. Kulp, Mrs. Robert Jeffries and Mrs. Evans VanBuskirk; Miss Susanne Gresh, chairman of tickets and orchestra. Aides were Mrs. Earl Keiser, Mrs. Herbert Drummheller and Mrs. Sanders.

Miss Catherine Beshower was chairman of the food committee. Her aid was Mrs. Laurence Flam.

Mrs. John M. Howard was publicity chairman aided by Mrs. J. Evans Thomas and Mrs. Philip Gresh.

YOUR BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARIES

TODAY'S HOROSCOPE
IF THIS is your day to celebrate a birthday anniversary, you are honest, trustworthy, constant and patient. You are the methodical kind, accurate in your work, punctual in your appointments, and fastidious in your dress. You are domestic, but enjoy many outside interests. You are very affectionate, but not demonstrative.

Today
Christ Eliades, son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Eliades, 447 Chestnut street.

Terry Kratz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Kratz, 314 Chestnut street.

Jean Kirk, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Kirk, Road B, Hilldale.

Melvin Heimbach, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Heimbach, 900 High street.

Mrs. Edward Lopuski, 31 East Fifth street.

The Rev. Dr. Mark O. Heller, pastor of Old Goshenhoppen church.

Walter Cronrath, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Cronrath, Salfordville.

Lawrence D. Leberman, of 429 Beech street.

Miss Emilie Jean Bercek, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bercek, Linfield, aged nine years.

HOROSCOPE FOR SUNDAY
YOU ARE very optimistic if this is your birthday, original in your tastes, ideas, determined, shrewd, persevering, and you usually carry out your plans to a successful completion. You have many real friends and few enemies. You are domestic, fond of children.

Tomorrow
Joanne Tornabene, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Tornabene, 1455 Cherry street.

Betty Reindauer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Reindauer, 114 Warren street.

Dorothy Lutz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Lutz, 129 North Adams street.

Sheldon Owen Antrim Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Sheldon Antrim, 14 East Fifth street.

Richard Saraceni, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Saraceni, 604 North Charlotte street.

Carol Christ, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Christ, 109 Warren street.

Mrs. Mary Tyas, 443 Walnut street.

Patricia Ann Hauck, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Hauck, 508 North Franklin street.

Recently
Clara Jane Noble, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Noble, Pottstown RD 2, aged eight years.

John Rhoads Jr. to Wed

Miss Gladys Mae Weidner

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Weidner, of Boyertown RD 2, announce the engagement of their daughter, Gladys Mae, to Mr. John Rhoads Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. John Rhoads, Bechtelsville RD 1.

No date has been set for the wedding.

Mr. Rhoads is employed by the Linfield Foundry.

DANCE AT SUNNYBROOK

Saturday, Dec. 20
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Admission \$1.50 Plus Tax
Dec. 27—CHARLIE BARNET

HOSPITALS

POTTSTOWN
Admitted: Charles Ward, 614 Walnut street, medical; Randall Pence, Boyertown, medical; Diane Landis, 518 Spruce street, medical.

MEMORIAL
Admitted: Mrs. Julia Fuhs, 48 East Fifth street, maternity; Frank Schmitz, 72 South Keim street, surgical; Mrs. Kathryn Foster, Boyertown, medical.

Discharged: Mrs. Anna Gerhart, Pottstown RD 2, maternity; Mrs. Frances Bull, Stowe, maternity; Mrs. Lettie Martin, Schwenksville, surgical; Ruth Stapleton, Earlville, surgical; Mrs. Annabella Burkert, Boyertown, surgical; Esther Briel, Boyertown, surgical; Mrs. Lorena Huda, 826 South street, surgical; Walter Wemy, Spring City, surgical; Samuel Ferrucci, 413 South street, surgical; Harry Miller, 1216 Cherry street, surgical; Charles McCann, Collegeville, medical; Charles F. Heim, Pottstown RD 2, surgical.

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Woman's Page

CLUB NEWS WEDDINGS

Rose Queen



Meet the newly-chosen queen of the 59th annual Tournament of Roses. She is Virginia Goodhue, 18, a student at Muir City college, Pasadena, Calif. Virginia, who will reign over the famed New Year's Day floral parade, will be crowned at the formal coronation and ball to be held on Dec. 29.

Social Calendar

St. James Lutheran church—Christmas party for nursery department this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

St. Paul's Evangelical and Reformed church—Sunday school Christmas program practice and party in the church basement today at 2 o'clock.

Local College Girl To Represent Council

Miss Deborah Moore, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Moore, South Hanover street, returned home yesterday from Catawba college, Salisbury, N.C., for the Christmas holidays. She was chosen to represent the women students in the athletic council of the college.

As a sophomore in the home economics department, she is an active member of the Blue Masque Drama club, Sigma Phi Alpha sorority, YWCA, Seymour Scientific club, Pennsylvania club, Evangelical and Reformed church club, Catawba college choir, Baptist church choir and Salisbury Community choir.

Miss Moore is also secretary and treasurer of WAA and a member of the Home Economics club at the college.

Kurtz-Smith Nuptials Performed in Parsonage

Miss Elizabeth Kurtz, daughter of Mrs. Mary C. Smith, of 1225 Maple street, became the bride of Mr. George Smith, son of Mrs. Kate Smith, of Phoenixville, Thursday afternoon in the parsonage of St. John's Evangelical and Reformed church.

The double ring ceremony was performed by the Rev. Paul C. Scheier, pastor. Mrs. Paul Krumm was the bride's only attendant.

The bride was attired in a cadet blue dress with black accessories and a corsage of red roses.

Following the ceremony a reception was held at the VFW home in Phoenixville for 50 guests.

The couple are residing at 1225 Maple street. Mrs. Smith is employed by the Century Beverly corporation and Mr. Smith is employed by Rapp's Coal yard in Phoenixville.

The tarnish may be removed from brass and copper by rubbing with a mixture of equal parts of flour, salt and vinegar.

Christmas Party For Children Held By Zion's Mothers

An annual Christmas party for children was staged last night by members of the Mothers' club of the Zion's Reformed church in the chapel.

A large Christmas tree dominated the decorative scheme with a manger scene used as the background.

Gifts were distributed to the children by Mr. William Witmyer, who played Santa Claus.

Among the motion pictures shown by Mr. Henry Mauer were "Night Before Christmas," "Jack Frost" and "Woody Woodpecker." Spontaneous recitations were given by Vera Mentzer, Glenn Ur, Carol Hawthorne and Carol Lasky.

The Rev. Howard Kosman gave a short talk on Christmas.

Refreshments were served to the 150 guests present.

The committee in charge was Mrs. Frank Witmyer, Mrs. Donald Hawthorne, Mrs. Joseph Shultz and Mrs. Clyde Rushong.

It was announced that the next meeting will be held on Jan. 6 in the home of Mrs. Witmyer, 5 West Third street.

Ill Enroute Home



Loretta Young (above), film actress, en route to Hollywood from England where she appeared in a command performance was ill aboard the west-bound Santa Fe Chief yesterday in Chicago. A Chicago physician diagnosed the case as acute intestinal influenza.

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Fuhs, 48 East Fifth street, announce the birth of a son yesterday in Memorial hospital.

A new plastic compound is supposed to make rugs skid proof.

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WARNER BROS. STRAND STARTS SUN. BETTE DAVIS HUMPHREY BOGART — IN — "Marked Woman" — HIT NO. 2 — JOHN GARFIELD — IN — "Dust Be My Destiny" LAST DAY ERROL FLYNN in "ESCAPE ME NEVER"

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Today
Mr. and Mrs. Sebastian Nuzzo, 405 Walnut street, 33 years.

Mr. and Mrs. Byron S. Van Horn, Pottstown Landing, six years.

Tomorrow
Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Clouser, 459 North Charlotte street, 40 years.

Mr. and Mrs. Gurney G. Bechtel, 435 High street, 40 years.

Mr. and Mrs. John H. Griese-mer, 801 Beech street, one year.

PERSONALS

Mrs. Florence Nagle, 323 Walnut street, is spending the Christmas holidays with her son, William B. Nagle, and family in Glen St. Mary, Fla.

White sauce will never be lumpy if, after the butter or margarine is melted and the flour added, the saucepan is removed from the heat and the milk blended in until the mixture is entirely smooth. The sauce should then be returned to low or medium heat and stirred constantly until it thickens and boils.

Catholic Girls Club holds Annual Party

St. Gabriel's Catholic Girls club held its annual Christmas party on Thursday night in the club room of the lodge in Stowe.

The guest of honor was the Rev. Francis E. Suchanek, rector of St. Gabriel's Catholic church, Stowe, who also entertained with songs and stories.

Other entertainment included group singing and dancing. Refreshments were served in the form of a covered dish social at which time the club presented the Rev. Suchanek with a gift. Gifts were also exchanged by the members.

Mrs. Ann Coccie, president, presided over the party.

Other members present were Mrs. Isabella Augustine, Miss Martha Antrim, Miss Elinor Colatasti, Miss Elsie Colatasti, Miss Frances Ferranti, Mrs. Jennie Christafaro, Mrs. Lena Falcone, Mrs. Mary Ferranti, Miss Rose Hydu, Miss Betty Hydu, Miss Florence Marks, Miss Ethel Marks, Miss Irene Pota, Mrs. Ann Roberts, Mrs. Mary Roberts, Mrs. Cavarita Segnere, Mrs. Evelyn Segnere and Miss Judy Soltz.

The next meeting will be held on Jan. 13 at the lodge.

MARRIAGE LICENSE
Application for a marriage license was made at the Montgomery county courthouse, Norristown, by: Walter W. Beck, 47 King street, and Dorothy M. Bean, Limerick.

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BEATRICE FAIRFAX'S

Advice to the Lovelorn
Shouldn't Be Hard to Decide This

Dear Miss Fairfax:

I am a girl old enough to know her own mind, but I am afraid I don't. My trouble is not that I can't get a boy, but that I have too many.

I am especially fond of two of them. I went steady with "A" for a year and a half. Then he went into the service, and not so long after that I met "C" with whom I have been going around lately. Both of these boys say that they love me.

"A" is going to be discharged next month, and "C" says if I see him he will never speak to me or see me again. I told him that it was necessary that I see "A" so that I can make up my mind between them. Don't you think "A" is being unfair? Do you think that if he loved me he would act the way he does about "A"?

Pottstown "UNDECIDED"

Dear "Undecided":

I think that "C" is acting in a very childish fashion indeed, and I should think that alone would be enough to cross him off your list and thus solve the problem of which boy you shall go with. What kind of fun do you think you could ever have with a boy friend who has such a juvenile point of view?

To take up another point, I think, of course, that if you have to ask someone to help make up your mind which of two boys you like better, you are not sufficiently convinced about either to get serious about the matter. When you are really in love, you will be so sure about it you won't have to ask anyone's advice.

Dear Miss Fairfax:

I am a girl of over 17 and have been married for two years. I am not happy with my husband, although he is deeply in love with me and buys me many things to try to make me happy. But I love to roller skate and dance and take in a theater now and then, and he doesn't approve of those things.

One of my girl friends introduced me to a nice boy with whom I am deeply in love. I have had a few dates with him, but never kept them a secret from my husband. This boy says he likes me a lot but that there is no future in it for us. What should I do — leave my husband and go away, or stay with my husband and try to forget this fellow?

Limerick "E. G."

Dear "E. G.":

If you have a husband who is sincerely in love with you and does his best to make you happy, it would seem pretty foolish for you to throw him over in favor of some chap about whom you know so little. It could very well happen, you know, that if you did this it would not work out at all as you thought, and you might soon be sorry that you had taken such a step.

It is too bad that your husband does not approve of some of the things you like to do, but perhaps if he cares about you as much as you say, he would be willing to compromise a little to make you happy.

It is also too bad that you married so young. A girl in her middle teens should be free to have all the good things that go with that time of life. However, as you grow older, you are going to care more about having a husband who loves you than you are about these other things. And if you are already married to that kind, my advice to you is to stick with him.

Dear Miss Fairfax:

I am 15 and have been going with a fellow, 22, for two years. He asked me a little while ago if we could go steady and I told him yes. He has now gone back to his work, which is in another town, and while it seems as if something is missing in my life, I am not sure that I am in love with him. I wrote to him and told him it was foolish for him to wait for me to finish school, and I also said that I am just a kid whose mind has not yet been completely developed.

Did I do the right thing? His parents and mine approve of us going steady at my age, but I still think I am too young to be in love and go steady with any fellow.

Pottstown "J. J."

Dear "J. J.":

No, I don't think you are in love

with this young man, and I think you have done the right thing to tell him what you did.

I am afraid I cannot agree with your parents in feeling that it makes sense for a girl of your age to "go steady." I think you should stick to your own point of view in this matter.

Dear Miss Fairfax:

I am a boy 18 years of age and interested in a girl who is 17. I like her very much but don't know how to express it. Could you please tell me how I can tell her that I love her?

Boyerstown "EIGHTEEN"

Dear "Eighteen":

If I were you I would not be in a hurry to tell this girl that you love her. You can show her that you like her and want her for a good friend by inviting her out on dates and showing her all sorts of little attentions.

It would be much better, at this point, to express your interest in her by your actions rather than committing yourself to declarations of love. Wait a while for that.

Dear Miss Fairfax:

We are three girls who have been very close friends for years. Two of us would like to know what to do about the third.

She considers herself very attractive, makes herself very obvious, and tries to crowd us out where boys are concerned and make herself appear "the most popular." In this way she has made many of our boy friends lose interest, and they talk about her to other people. All this is very embarrassing for us.

It is impossible to stop going with her because she is the sister of one of us. We all get along well with other people, but even strangers notice her behavior. Please tell us what we can do about this.

Pottstown "DISGUSTED GIRLS"

Dear Girls:

If you two have been close friends with this third girl for so long, it seems the logical thing to do would be to speak frankly to her and try to show her what a poor light she is putting herself in. In such a case as this, I don't think subtlety will work. I think you will just simply have to speak your minds, but try to do it so as not to hurt her feelings and break up your friendship.

This girl is so anxious to be popular, I should think she would be eager to change her tactics if you point out that she is alienating boys instead of attracting them. Nobody wants to feel he is being talked about, and, if you explain to her what is happening because of her crude behavior, surely she would want to mend her ways.

It is too bad that your husband does not approve of some of the things you like to do, but perhaps if he cares about you as much as you say, he would be willing to compromise a little to make you happy.

It is also too bad that you married so young. A girl in her middle teens should be free to have all the good things that go with that time of life. However, as you grow older, you are going to care more about having a husband who loves you than you are about these other things. And if you are already married to that kind, my advice to you is to stick with him.

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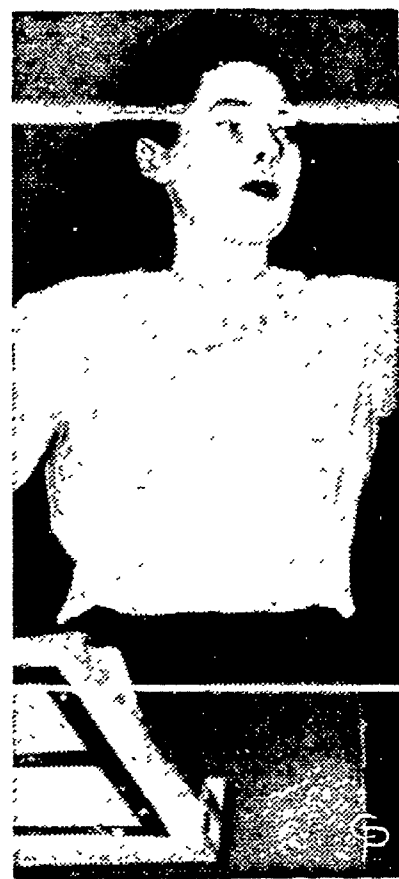
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Speaking on "The New World and Who Will Run It," the elderly, slender lecturer declared that the bureaucrats—"the men with the spending power"—will run the world, rather than the producers of wealth.

In another phase of his talk, the speaker asserted, "Just as long as we have the income-tax amendment to the Constitution, we will have world wars."

He warned that oppressive taxation was a feature of European countries, and that unless "you take matters in your hands," the people of the United States will become inert and will be easily "shoved around."

After Paterson attacked taxes, he called for a defense force, ready to strike at any time but failed to say how such a force would be financed.

"We're going to clash with the Russians, and don't mistake it," he predicted. "The debating society in Flushing Meadows won't stop it—only force will. Force is the basis of respect."

He completed his talk by telling the 130 club members present that "two things are necessary if we are to keep this country—a strong Army, Navy and Air Force, and a loyal population."

Before Paterson's speech, the Doeblner-Jarvis male chorus presented a 15-minute program, including "The Creation," "Morning," "Dry Bones," and "All Over God's Heaven." Later the audience joined the group in singing Christmas carols.

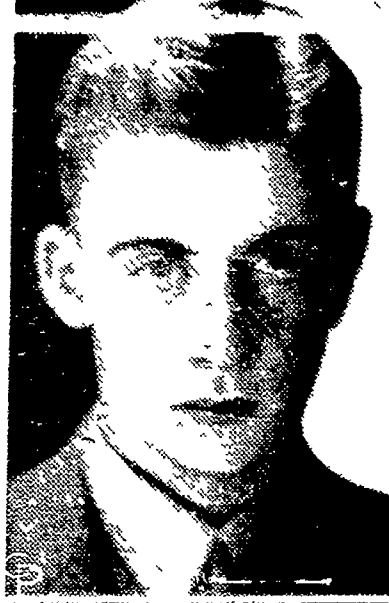
C. I. Lyons, of the Scott Paper company, of Chester, announced that the Pottstown club was one of 12 winners of the Achievement Award for 1946-47.

Nineteen foremen's clubs compete for the awards, Lyons disclosed.

Francis M. Wampler, president of the club, took charge of the business session that followed the dinner.

FIRE DESTROYS TREE, GIFTS
PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 19 (AP)—Fire swept a two-story home in the Lacer Park housing project in nearby Harboro today, destroying a newly trimmed Christmas tree and the presents of a veteran, his wife and their two small children.

'X-Ray Eyes'



In South Africa, 16-year-old Pieter van Jaarsveld gains a reputation as the "boy with the X-Ray eyes" for his reputed ability to locate buried diamonds, gold and coal.

Three Hospital Contracts To Be Awarded by VA

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19 (AP)—The Veterans administration informed the Pennsylvania Republican delegation today that contracts for veterans' hospitals in Altoona, Wilkes-Barre and Erie, are scheduled to be awarded early in 1948.

The agency said plans for four other Pennsylvania hospitals—one in Pittsburgh, one in Harrisburg and one in Philadelphia—are expected to be completed next Spring and Summer and contracts probably will be awarded about two months after working drawings have been approved.

OBITUARIES

IRVIN HOFFMAN, 78, Pottstown native and father of Mrs. Gertrude Embody, 551 Chestnut street, died Thursday night at his home, 1374 NARRAGANSETT STREET, PHILADELPHIA, of a heart condition after a year's illness.

He was born in Pottstown, and lived on Willow street until 20 years ago when he moved to Philadelphia. He had been employed for years as a cigar maker at the old Rush brothers plant that was north of High street between Penn and Charlotte streets.

In recent years he had worked in the Philadelphia garage of his son, Paul.

He was a member of Emmanuel Lutheran church, Nest 150, Fraternity of Order of Eagles, and San Diego Tribe 213, Improved Order of Red Men.

For 34 years he had been married to Elizabeth (Moyer) Hoffman, who died in 1930.

He is survived by his daughter and sister; his second wife, Annie Hoffman, at home and six step-sons and two step-daughters, all from Allentown.

Funeral services will be held Monday at noon from Fairview chapel, Boyertown. Interment will be made in Fairview cemetery.

Funeral services for **MARY ALICE (FILLMAN) WANNER**, of 49 High STREET, former buyer for the Ellis Mills store, were held yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock from Emmanuel Lutheran church.

Officiating was the Rev. Luther A. Krouse, pastor. Interment was made in Mt. Zion cemetery.

Bearers were six nephews of the deceased, Robert Becker, Stanley, Donald and Kenneth Fillman, Maurice Gilbert and William Auchbach.

FRANK X. HEYD, construction engineer who supervised building of Jacobs Aircraft Engine company's plant 2 now the site of the Pottstown plant of the Firestone Tire and Rubber company, died Thursday in WINDSOR, Ont., Canada.

During the plant's construction he lived for several years, in the 1300 block on High street.

PRINCIPAL REINSTATED
WILKES-BARRE, Dec. 19 (AP)—Miss Cecil T. Dugan of Wilkes-Barre, supervising principal of Dupont borough schools for 19 years until she was demoted early this year, was reinstated to her former post today by Judge W. A. Valentine.

BANK PRESIDENT DIES
TYRONE, Dec. 19 (AP)—Frank K. Likerbach 78, president of the First Blair County National bank here, died unexpectedly last night of a heart attack.

White Gift Service Is Scheduled at Trinity Reformed

Pupils of the Sunday school and members of the congregation of Trinity Reformed church, Hanover and King streets will worship together tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock when the annual White Gift service will be held. This will be the first Christmas service held in the re-decorated sanctuary.

Each child, youth and adult attending the service will present a gift for a boy or girl at the Bethany Orphans' Home, Wernersdorf. Each gift will be wrapped in white. Last year nearly 500 individual gifts were presented at a similar service and later taken to the home, sponsored by the Evangelical and Reformed church.

Pupils of the Sunday school will meet in their classrooms at 9-30 o'clock for last minute instructions and attendance records. Leaving the Sunday school room to the accompaniment of music presented by the Sunday school orchestra under the direction of Raymond C. Elliott, they will enter the church sanctuary during the organ prelude of Mrs. Minnie B. Lehr, church organist.

During the service three songs will be presented by pupils in the

Nursery, Beginner and Primary departments, under the direction of Superintendents Mrs. Robert Casner, Esther Diener. The Junior choir will sing under the direction of Vernon D. Johnson, minister of music.

An organ meditation, "Christmas in Sicily," from, by Mrs. Lehr; a tableau, "Blessed Art Thou Among Women," during which Mrs. Chester Bechtel will sing "Sleep, My Jesus," Bartlett, a children's Christmas message, "A Cane and a Shepherd," by the pastor, Rev. John B. Frantz, and congregational singing of the familiar Christmas carols also will be included in the service.

Tomorrow night members of the Youth Fellowship will sing carols at the homes of sick and shut-in members of the congregation. Leaving the church at 6 o'clock, they will conclude the evening with a Christmas Fellowship at the parsonage, 1000 Main street, at 8 o'clock.

Members of the group will make final plans for the project at the third weekly "Fun Nite" observance in Fellowship hall tonight, 7:30 to 10:30 o'clock.

The traditional Christmas Dawn service will be held at 6 o'clock Thursday morning.

HEART ATTACK FATAL
PITTSBURGH, Dec. 19 (AP)—Frederick Prosch, 63, a member of the faculty of Temple University, Philadelphia, died of a heart attack here tonight shortly after he finished a radio broadcast.

SALARY HIKE APPROVED
PITTSBURGH, Dec. 19 (AP)—Council's finance committee today approved proportionate salary increases for the city's 5700 employees.

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